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## Gallows Nears End of Its Rope

By GERARD McNEIL

OTTAWA (CP) — The era of the noose all but ends in Canada today with the proclamation of a new law severely limiting capital punishment for murder.

Only the deliberate slaying of a working policeman or prison official can bring a murderer to the gallows between now and Dec. 29, 1972.

That date will mark the end of a five-year trial period for the law, which won parliamentary assent after a passionate debate this fall.

Officials said Thursday the new law will apply in cases that haven't reached the indictment stage.

In Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Ontario, this stage is reached when a case goes before a



Convict Chevalier

grand jury. In other provinces and the territories, it occurs when a crown attorney signs an indictment form.

The outgoing law, by which death is the mandatory sentence for deliberate murder, will be applied in cases that have gone beyond the indictment stage.

### TURPIN HANGED

Altogether 701 persons have been hanged for murder since 1867. The last man refused mercy by the cabinet was Ronald Turpin, executed in Toronto Dec. 11, 1962 for the murder of a policeman.

The present Liberal government took office six months after the Turpin execution and has commuted all 28 death sentences to come before it since April, 1963.

The group includes Georges

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## 'Purely Private' U.S. Visit

## Pearson, Rusk Dine

## Ignorance in U.S. Bliss for Canada

TORONTO (CP)—A Canadian specialist in international affairs Thursday thanked the United States for its ignorance of Canadian affairs and asked it to continue ignoring Canada.

John Holmes, director of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs, told 250 members of the American Historical Association that if U.S. students knew more about Canada, serious problems might arise.

They would come to Canada in droves to straighten out Canadian neuroses and problems.

If the U.S. wants to help unite Canada, Holmes said, it would achieve greater success by threatening Canada rather than studying it.

WASHINGTON (CP) — Prime Minister Pearson and Mrs. Pearson flew into a murky Washington Thursday for an overnight stay billed as purely private. He was to leave today for a Florida vacation.

Chief function on his agenda here was a private dinner at the residence of Canadian Ambassador A. E. Ritchie, described by the ambassador as "quite genuinely personal and very informal."

### DINNER GUESTS

It was learned that guests at the dinner included Secretary of State Dean Rusk, William Bundy, the state department's chief Asian expert; Walt Rostow, key White House aide, and Rufus Smith, head of the state department's Canadian section.

But it was understood the prime minister also hoped to see old acquaintances, including James (Scotty) Reston, associate editor and Washington columnist of the New York Times, and former state secretary Dean Acheson.

Other guests were identified only as personal friends of the prime minister or those deeply involved in Canada-U.S. mutual interests.

### BUSINESS LATER?

The fact the dinner was informal and wives were present indicated any major policy exchanges would be likely confined to the brandy-and-cigars period after dinner.

The chief international topic here now with a Canadian angle is the Vietnamese war as it affects "hot pursuit" by American and South Vietnamese forces of Communist forces based in sanctuaries established in Cambodia.

### PRINCE'S WARNING

Cambodia's Prince Sihanouk has given a qualified warning he will call in Soviet or Chinese volunteers if border crossings in strength are made. He has also asked the Canada-India-Poland International Truce Commission to strengthen supervision of the border. Canada has agreed but Poland is not accepting the proposition.

The Canadian embassy declined to name just who was at the dinner or to allow photographers inside the residence beforehand.

This is the prime minister's first visit to Washington—and likely his last as prime minister—since January, 1965.



## Who Needs Snow For Fun?

As far as nine-year-old Tommy Hancock of Jacksonville, Fla., is concerned, snow isn't only basic ingredient for tobogganing. His recipe for fun on slide is cardboard carton and greasy slope alongside neighborhood freeway. Those provide him with plenty of excitement on sunny day.—(AP)

## No Ottawa Word, Athens Fete Off

ATHENS (AP) — A Canadian embassy reception scheduled for today was cancelled Thursday because the ambassador

had not received word yet from his government whether to recognize the Greek regime. (See also Page 9.)

Since King Constantine went into exile in Italy after his abortive counter-coup against the military junta Dec. 13, members of the Athens diplomatic corps have declined invitations to attend government functions for fear it might be interpreted as official recognition.

### EXPO INVITATIONS

The Canadian embassy sent out invitations to members of the ruling junta prior to Dec. 13 for a reception marking Expo 67, the world's fair held in Montreal this summer.

A regent, Lt.-Gen. George Zotiakis, was appointed several hours before the king fled the country. He has so far not received any invitations to embassy receptions.

The real test whether the foreign powers will snub the regime comes New Year's Day.

### ROYAL GREETINGS

Traditional religious services are held at the Athens Orthodox Cathedral where members of the diplomatic corps attend to greet the Royal Family. Most, if not all, Athens envoys have not received instructions from their governments whether to appear.

## Eshkol Calling Jan. 15

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Levi Eshkol has accepted an invitation from Prime Minister Pearson to visit Ottawa for two days beginning Jan. 15.

A spokesman in Pearson's office said Thursday the invitation was extended after it was learned Eshkol would be visiting the United States early in January.

He said he did not know what the two leaders would discuss during the Israeli prime minister's visit. Presumably the Middle East situation would be a major topic.

## Worst to Come

# U.S. PILE OF GOLD SHRINKS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. government reported Thursday the biggest drop in the American gold supply in 15 months during November—\$74,000,000—but a much larger drop is in store this month because of the recent European gold rush.

The November figure reflects only a small part of the outflow of U.S. gold which followed devaluation of the British pound Nov. 18.

Officials said November sales on the London market, where speculative buying was heavy the latter half of the month, will be reflected in December figures to be published in January.

The United States, part of a seven-nation pool, now supplies 59 per cent of all gold sold on the London market.

### CONVERSION

Algeria's conversion into gold of about \$150,000,000 also came in December as did the purchase by the United States of \$100,000,000 in gold from Canada.

At the same time Thursday, the Federal Reserve Board reported a big increase in U.S. holdings of foreign currencies, indicating another reaction to the British devaluation.

Bulk of the increase was reported to be in pounds and Swiss francs and came through the expanded swap network, a borrowing arrangement the board has with 14 foreign central banks and the Bank for International Settlements in Switzerland.

### TO SPECIAL FUND

Early this month, the treasury department announced the movement of \$475,000,000 in gold from its stock to a special fund—the Exchange Stabilization Fund—from which sales are made.

The Federal Reserve said the gold drain in November reduced the U.S. total at the end of the month to \$12,965,000,000, lowest since 1937.

### Harnesses

## Safety Boosts Prices

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp. Thursday became the first U.S. car maker to announce a price increase to cover the cost of front-seat shoulder

harnesses, required by federal law on new cars after Monday. The firm said that starting with shipments Monday all cars will have the shoulder harnesses and the price of the harnesses as an option, now \$22 on most models, will become part of the list price.

It said the harness costs \$22 on all models except the Buick Electra and Buick Riviera and Oldsmobile 98, where it costs \$25, and the Cadillac, where it costs \$30.

### INCREASE SILENCE

A GM spokesman declined to say whether the company was planning a second general price increase on its 1968 models to cover new increases in the cost of labor and steel which became effective after the first prices were announced in September.

Spokesmen for Ford and Chrysler declined comment on any possible price increase.



## But They're Shipshape

Parking problems aren't only confined to big city streets. Aircraft maintenance man, centre, finds space scarce, as he works on one of parked planes crowding flight deck of aircraft carrier USS Ranger. Ship is on duty at Yankee Station in Gulf of Tonkin.—(AP)

## Peking Optimistic

## Big Red Gains Seen in Laos

From UPI

Peking Radio declared Friday that communist forces in Laos made big political and military gains during 1967 and predicted they would do even better in the year to come.

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## Cong Leader In France

TOKYO (UPI) — Radio Hanoi said Thursday Viet Cong leader Nguyen Van Mien has been in France since Dec. 13 but gave no indication whether he met Foreign Minister Tran Van Do of South Vietnam who spent a day in Paris this week.

Mien was identified as head of the South Vietnam National Liberation Front's permanent representation in North Vietnam.

The radio broadcast followed reports of increased military activity by communist Pathet Lao—possibly backed by North Vietnamese troops—in the southern wedge of Laos between Thailand and the Vietnams.

The Peking Peoples' Daily denied that North Vietnamese and Viet Cong troops were using either Cambodia or Laos for sanctuary.

It stated: "Should U.S. imperialism dare to carry its war of aggression to Cambodia, the 700,000,000 Chinese people will certainly give all-out support to the Cambodian people to completely smash the U.S. imperialist aggression."

In Washington, the state department said Thursday the United States was informing "interested governments," presumably including the Soviet Union, of communist activities in Cambodia and Laos.

## Mission Closed

LONDON (UPI)—Cambodia is closing her diplomatic mission in London because of Britain's refusal to recognize formally Cambodia's frontiers, the foreign office stated Thursday.

A state department spokesman said the U.S. has launched a "serious diplomatic effort" to find an "amicable settlement" to the sanctuary problem.

## 1,100-Miles in Fact

## It's Long Way To Nowhere

VANCOUVER (CP) — For five passengers, it was an 1,100-mile flight to nowhere. The five were bound

Wednesday for Prince Rupert from Vancouver aboard a Canadian Pacific Airlines flight. But Prince Rupert Airport was socked in by low cloud and fog. The plane flew to Smithers in north central British Columbia. But before it arrived that airport also was closed.

It finally landed at Prince George and CPA told its passengers it would take them west to Smithers and Terrace by bus. At the same time it warned the five that the highway beyond Smithers was likely blocked by snow.

The five elected to fly back to Vancouver.

CPA said that only one of the five booked for a flight to Prince Rupert to try again.

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## They Call It Holidays, but . . .

## Big 10 Probing

By DAVE McINTOSH

OTTAWA (CP) — Only a corporal's guard turned out for Wednesday's cabinet meeting.

Some 10 cabinet ministers are expected to run for the Liberal leadership and most

of them are allegedly on holiday inhaling vigor for the campaign ahead.

But it's a busman's holiday for some of them. They are busy taking political samplings among convention delegates in their home ridings

and elsewhere to try to determine their voting strength, if any.

Then, as one potential candidate put it: "We lie awake at night weeding out the bad

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BILL THOMAS' NOTEBOOK

Friday

## Your Good Health

## Sciatica's Causes Vary

North Coast—Cloudy with patches and occasional drizzle. Wind light.

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# Premier Won't Attend

agency Tass reported. Tass said Miroslav Strongal was Peking correspondent for the Czechoslovak news agency Ceteka and the Prague Communist party.

**MOSCOW (Reuters)** — China has ordered a Czechoslovak correspondent to leave the country by Jan. 1, the Soviet news agency Tass reported. Tass said Miroslav Strongal was Peking correspondent for the Czechoslovak news agency Ceteika and the Prague Communist party newspaper Rude Pravo.

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## U.S. vs. Cambodia

# 'Sanctuary' Concept Hit

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States is mounting an international diplomatic effort to curb Communist use of Cambodian territory as a military sanctuary.

In disclosing this Thursday, state department officials left open the possibility that the U.S. approach—including providing evidence of Communist bases in Cambodia—would be made to some Communist as well as non-Communist countries.

Press Officer Robert J. McCloskey declined to disclose "documented evidence" now.

### SOME PORTIONS

"We are attempting a serious and private diplomatic initiative and reserve the right to keep some portions of it confidential," he said.

Officials did not name the governments involved, but also did not dispute suggestions that Russia, China, India, Canada and Poland—all parties to the Geneva agreement—could be among them.

The newest move in the simmering dispute over military activity in Vietnam-bordering areas followed Wednesday's publication of an exchange of notes between the United States and avowedly neutral Cambodia.

### U.S. FORCES

The U.S. note, dated Dec. 4, said U.S. forces have "no hostile intentions" toward Cambodian territory. It said the root cause of the long-standing friction with Cambodia over border incidents results from Viet Cong

and North Vietnamese presence in Cambodian territory adjacent to the South Vietnamese frontier. The note included a summary of evidence compiled from documents and interrogations.

Cambodia's Dec. 24 reply rejected the charge of North Vietnamese-Viet Cong use of Cambodian territory as "groundless accusations" and once again accused the United States of "aggressive acts" against Cambodia.

### PRESSURE HIGH

Although pressure has been increasing from some U.S. and South Vietnamese military commanders to strike against the hideaways in Cambodia, Washington is still interested in trying for an amicable settlement through diplomatic means.

McCloskey acknowledged that "we are disappointed with their (Cambodia's) reaction so far."

### MOST HOPEFUL

The state department did not specify what means it now regards as most hopeful for solving the question. It left open the possibility of setting up a border inspection system by the International Control Commission, the group provided under the Geneva accords to supervise peace and neutrality in the area.

Cambodia's Prince Sihanouk in the past proposed making the commission more effective, the U.S. note recalled. U.S. officials said Washington still supports that idea, but Sihanouk has not followed through on it.

# Cong Trap Marines

SAIGON (UPI) — American marines battled through a night of driving monsoon rain against a Viet Cong force that ambushed them Thursday from tenaciously-held positions in a cemetery.

The low clouds and squalls of

rain that obscured the battlefield, 20 miles south of Da Nang, were no barrier Thursday to heavy raids against targets in the Hanoi and Haiphong area. A communique today said U.S. pilots switched to radar to bomb targets unseen through the murk.

### BEFORE DARK

Before darkness fell on the fighting near Da Nang, the Viet Cong killed 15 marines, members of a battalion of 1,200 to 1,500 men which landed by helicopter almost atop the Communist positions.

The marines were moving into the area as a blocking force to catch any Communist forces uncovered by South Vietnamese infantrymen sweeping the jungle lowlands.

### VIET CONG

The Viet Cong opened up with rifles, mortars, machine-guns and grenade launchers from "spider holes" and bunkers dug into the graveyard, and killed seven marines in the first 15 minutes of fighting, reports from the battlefield said.

In the air action, U.S. marine pilots flew A-6 Intruder jets to bomb a highway bridge 2 1/2 miles south-southeast of Haiphong. Pilots said they unloaded tons of bombs on the bridge, despite heavy ground fire.

## Protesters Seek Support

TORONTO (CP) — Canadian university students will be asked to support 10 days of opposition to the Vietnam war planned for April on campuses across the United States.

Syd Stapleton, staff member of the New York Student Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam, said Thursday he hopes to see formation of an international student movement against the war, increasing in membership as the war in Southeast Asia escalates. Stapleton, editor of the Student Mobilizer said the group also hopes to stage an international student strike, possibly March 19, the anniversary of the first demonstration in Saigon against American intervention in Vietnam.

### Ceasefire Confirmed

SAIGON (AP) — The South Vietnamese government confirmed Thursday it will observe a 24-hour ceasefire to run from 6 p.m. New Year's Eve—5 a.m. EST—to 6 p.m. the next day.

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## Rhodesia Target

NEW YORK (AP) — The Student Non-violent Co-ordinating Committee took another step toward international operations Thursday with a pledge from top officials to recruit revolutionaries to fight in Rhodesia "if and when you call for them."

With chairman H. Rap Brown standing by, ANCO International Director James Forman told a meeting of 24 African students he made the pledge with Brown's authority.

## Egyptians Study Ship Jam

CAIRO (Reuters) — Egyptian Foreign Minister Mahmoud Riad told United Nations peace envoy Gunnar Jarring Thursday Egypt is studying technical difficulties in the way of releasing 14 foreign merchant ships trapped at the southern end of the Suez Canal since the Arab-Israeli war in June.

### Prediction

## Beef, Eggs Cheaper

OTTAWA (CP) — Beef and eggs may be cheaper in January, economists of the federal agriculture department said in a report Thursday.

The food outlook for the month: Eggs: Prices will be down seasonally because of heavy supplies.

Chicken: Broiler prices steady with supplies adequate.

Turkey: Prices could rise slightly, especially on heavy tom and broiler weights.

Pork: Supplies appear plentiful and prices in the immediate future may show little change from current levels.

Beef: Supplies are becoming more in balance with demand and soon may weaken from current levels.

Apples: Stocks in storage are slightly greater than a year ago with quality good and prices firm.

Potatoes: Stocks are much smaller than last year but adequate for needs. Market is orderly and prices are firm.

Other vegetables: Root vegetables, cabbage and onions are in adequate supply.

## What You Can—and Can't Do About SLEEPLESSNESS

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# China Preparing Trans-Pacific Missiles?

HONG KONG (UPI)—Intelligence analysts said Thursday the latest Chinese nuclear test may have been the first in a new series for developing an intercontinental missile system spanning the Pacific.

These analysts stressed that

the ICBM theory was speculative and that evidence for it was purely circumstantial.

The U.S. Atomic Energy Commission announced the blast was detonated last Sunday. The AEC described it as a low-level atmospheric explosion in the 20-kiloton range.

The Chinese have been completely silent, and the Peking secrecy has produced several theories.

The missile theory was based on three factors:

● The Chinese would reap little propaganda value from an

announcement if it were the start of a series expected to produce more spectacular results.

● The explosion was small by nuclear standards, indicating that the Chinese may have been trying to decrease the payload

and adapt their nuclear arsenal for missile delivery.

● The speed with which the fallout from the blast reached Japan might be an indication the bomb was detonated at a fairly high altitude and that the device was carried aloft by a rocket.

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## Challenge to the UN

DEVELOPMENTS are reported thick and fast in the Southeast Asian area plagued by war and the threat of further politico-military complications, and none of them make reassuring reading.

Perhaps the only encouraging despatch concerns the opinion of a man of wide experience, Sir Stephen Weir, New Zealand's ambassador to Thailand, South Vietnam and Laos for six years.

It is his belief that the North Vietnamese infiltration of Laos is a diversion, designed to take some of the pressure off hard-hit Communist forces in Vietnam itself.

He may be right. But whether the operations of an estimated 40,000 North Vietnamese combat and support troops in Laos is a feint or a bluff it can scarcely be denied that it constitutes another threat of escalation to a point where control is totally lost.

The accusation that the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong are using Cambodian territory for sanctuary and for bases of attack on South Vietnam adds to the suspicion of a deliberate move to encourage the involvement of further forces.

The announcement by Prince Norodom Sihanouk of Cambodia that he would resist any attempt by the United States and her allies to pursue suspected enemies across the border, even to the extent of inviting "volunteer" aid from China, North Korea and Cuba, will certainly encourage the government at Hanoi to test the effectiveness of such harassments more fully.

It is a pity that Prince Norodom Sihanouk cannot be convinced that the strengthening of international inspection operations on the Cambodia-South Vietnam border might offer some safeguard against his further involvement and the dangerous consequences to all.

The prince has said he would call for an emergency session in the United Nations if American forces committed what he termed aggression against his country in a "hot pursuit" policy.

It would be far better to call for it now, so that the claims of both sides can be examined, not only in the interests of truth but in the hope of finding a formula for the prevention of the complications so readily predictable.

One great danger which cannot be overlooked is the possibility of American invasion of North Vietnam in reaction to threats from the Laos and Cambodia flanks. This is a course likely to be pursued only in a desperate effort for a quick decision. But the risks involved are enormous. They are far and beyond those which would be entailed by meeting the Laos and Cambodia problems by limited pursuit into the North Vietnamese sanctuaries.

This is a time for the most profound concentration of whatever peace-keeping capabilities the United Nations possesses, no matter what the reluctance or outright opposition in any quarter.

## High-Priced Money

BEFORE THE HOUSE of Commons adjourned for the Christmas holidays, Mr. Michael Starr, Conservative MP for the constituency of Ontario, twice tried to persuade Finance Minister Mitchell Sharp that there should be a further minting of the 1967 dollar and 50-cent pieces. The government stopped producing the 50-cent pieces in July and the \$1 coins in September, he said, suggesting that more should be minted so that Canadians could still buy the coins as souvenirs without paying an exorbitant price.

The exorbitant price, The Globe and Mail has pointed out, is as much as 600 per cent of face value, \$3 for a 50-cent piece.

"If you were far-sighted enough to buy a Mint-sealed bag of silver dollars (\$1,000 face value) several months ago, your investment would have spiralled to \$4,800. And if you had bought a bag of 50-cent pieces (\$1,000 face), it would now be worth a neat \$5,000."

Mr. Starr was able to obtain from Mr. Sharp—to whom he had suggested that minting more of the coins would improve his public image—only an assurance that "the matter of souvenir collections of coins is still under consideration" plus the remark that "if it would help the hon. gentleman's image I would be very glad to print his effigy on one side."

But it must seem ridiculous to most Canadians that as a centennial commemoration, the government would put out so few dollar and 50-cent coins that their price, in mint condition, should rise to \$3 within months of their issuance. One hopes that "still under consideration" does not mean what it usually means in government parlance: Sooner or later, chum, you'll get tired of asking.

## Beira Fiasco

IT MUST BE ADMITTED that Great Britain and, in particular, the Royal Navy looked a little silly in the incident at Beira when a vessel attempting to enforce the embargo against Rhodesia fired and failed to stop a French tanker from entering the port.

The French captain after the affair said he was always perfectly confident that the British warship would not "dare" to actually shell his vessel.

His remark did nothing, it must be supposed, to soothe British feelings and the embarrassment has been reflected in the British press.

The Yorkshire Post finds that the fact the tanker was an habitual visitor to Beira, discharging her normal cargo, added a further note of farce to the proceedings.

The sanctions against Rhodesia were never likely to be completely effective as long as South Africa refused to support them, and it has been clear from the outset that she never would. It has also been clear that embargo-breakers could always find routes through the republic or the Portuguese colonies which adjoin Rhodesia.

The Beira patrol, therefore, was little more than a gesture. And it cannot be supposed that Great Britain ever intended to use force there and risk predictably grave consequences.

The French tanker's master was not playing Russian roulette with the British frigate. Of course he was confident she would not shell his ship.

Just the same, if his attitude reflects the policy of the French government it indicates a deplorable indifference to the terms of the international agreement so piously endorsed by so many to induce the Rhodesian government to come to terms on the issues which caused her revolt in the first place.



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## Labor Revolt Forestalled

# Britain's Harold Wilson Kept His Word And Thereby Probably Saved His Party

By THOMAS LAND from London

THE precarious unity of the British Labor party, almost permanently under strain since its assumption of power after the 1964 elections, has been saved by Prime Minister Harold Wilson in the toughest battle under his leadership. At one point he is believed to have threatened resignation.

The crisis was centered around the London visit, on "vacation," of Admiral Bismarck, the chief of staff of the South African naval forces, with a \$500,000 order for British-made military equipment in his briefcase. South African diplomats implied that in addition to the cash price their country was prepared to consider applying pressure on rebel Rhodesia to return to legality with a prospect of majority rule in a decade or two.

Predictably, the offer appeared highly attractive to many, including several members of the Wilson cabinet. With its economy ailing, its currency devalued and the Rhodesia policy in ruins, they argued, Britain could hardly afford to turn down the South African proposition.

But to accept it would have entailed the violation of a United Nations resolution supported by Britain. Britain announced its ban on arm shipments to South Africa shortly after Labor's electoral victory in 1964. Among the nations enforcing the terms of the Security Council resolution are Canada and the United States. It is impossible to tell when the crisis began. The rumor on which it fed may have originated from the South African embassy itself. One Labor MP told me at the time: "This would be the cheapest way out of the Rhodesia problem, at the price of breaking our word and creating more problems for the future. I don't think the government would do this. But if there were such a development, it would be hotly opposed by many of us."

And opposed it was. More than 140 Labor MPs requested a motion tabled in the Commons reaffirming their "support of the government's policy in withholding the sale of arms to the Republic of South Africa." It was a policy of opposition to any reversal of policy.

Earlier, a delegation of MPs

called on Mr. George Brown, the foreign secretary, to put before him their arguments against relaxing the embargo. Mr. Brown politely listened. And at the end, to their amazement, he assured them merely that their arguments would be "considered."

His cool response to what was in fact support for the administration's declared policy seemed to confirm that the government was at least equally ready to consider the South African arguments as well.

It is clear in retrospect that that was precisely the case. Proceedings at cabinet meetings are top secret, but it is understood that a number of ministers were in favor of breaching the embargo.

Britain's chronic balance-of-payments crisis, it was argued, leaves no room for bearing the cost of the ineffective sanctions against Rhodesia forever. If there is one country in the world at present in a position to

induce the rebel regime to return to the rule of law, it is South Africa. And South Africa would expect certain favors from Britain in return.

The prime minister faced the alternatives of accepting this argument thus creating a possibly fatal split in the Labor movement and rejecting it despite opposition from the short-term "realists" in his cabinet.

And so the pragmatist professional opted for the second alternative and chose the moment to settle for some time the leadership rivalry in the party involving some of his opponents in the cabinet.

One who ought to know says that the prime minister let it be known that he was ready to resign and to take the issues of both leadership and South African arms sales to the parliamentary Labor party. At that moment he would undoubtedly have been re-elected.

The crisis ended in a nine-

## Washington Calling

# The Presidential Hopefuls Mend Their Policy Fences

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

ON the pragmatic premise that a politician's awareness of where his real problems lie is far more nearly indicated by what he does than by what he says, a look around the current scene in the race for the 1968 Republican presidential nomination is instructive, indeed.

The close of this pre-election year finds Governor George Romney of Michigan and Senator Charles Percy of Illinois trying to repair their fences on foreign policy in so urgent a way as almost to amount to public confession by each that this is the area in which he knows himself to be weak. Each has been taking the grand world tour, with Vietnam, of course, at its crucial center and Israel and the Middle East not far behind.

Each is clearly concentrating on world affairs to the total exclusion, for now, of purely domestic issues, on which both

have fairly solid records already. Each man knows, in a word, that for him the name of the game is spelled by the phrase "foreign policy."

Each knows how that unless he can present himself with some convincing logic as a qualified expert in the maintenance of the American interest and safety abroad, his outlook at next summer's GOP national convention will be pretty dim.

Each, in the last analysis, has been far more dovish than otherwise toward the bipartisan American policy of resolute American military resistance to communist aggression in Southeast Asia.

Both Romney and Percy, in consequence, have been living well outside the Republican mainstream on this transcendent thing. For the vast majority of all the Republican

leaders, the most humane commitment to the line of resistance than is a majority of the

Democratic leaders themselves, apart, of course, from President Johnson and Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey.

If Romney and Percy, therefore, are not able in the early part of the coming year to toughen up on Vietnam, it is all but certain that both will walk with only a small minority when the convention gavel falls.

Precisely the opposite is the present stance of the man who is now plainly the front-runner for the nomination, former Vice-President Richard Nixon. Nixon has determinedly backed the Vietnam war, in season and out of season, abroad as well as at home, and so has no kind of a problem in this matter. Thus, one now sees him returning to a preoccupation with domestic issues that he has not, in fact, shown during these last two years. The fence that Nixon is now repairing is the domestic policy fence.

As to Governor Nelson Rockefeller of New York, the man who next to Nixon is probably most likely to win the nomination in the end, no matter his repeated disclaimers of any ambition along that line, the prescription to the mixture is simply as before. Rockefeller remains quietly in the posture of wait-and-see; and a very strong posture it is, considering that it allows him to walk softly on both foreign and domestic questions.

Even accepting the sincerity of his statement that he doesn't really want the nomination, the plain fact remains that he is demonstrating by inaction what Nixon, Romney and Percy are demonstrating by action. That is, Rockefeller's approach is showing that he, too, recognizes the nature of his problem. The core of that problem is the reality that if the lightning is to strike Rockefeller at all, it must do so by way of a legitimate convention draft, and not through any exertion of his.

Meantime, Rockefeller's prospects, ifly though they are, are surely not harmed by the scandal of Mafia corruption into which Mayor John V. Lindsay of New York City has been hurried willy-nilly by the indictment of a close former associate. Up to now Lindsay has been silently rivaling Rockefeller as an outside possibility for a draft. That possibility is as good as gone now.

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## In Unending Search

# Man Probes Depths Of Sky and Oceans

THE maiden voyage of the mightiest space vehicle ever built highlighted the world of exploration in 1967 as man sought and gained new knowledge of earth, sea and sky.

The giant Apollo-Saturn 5 made its debut November 9 on a flight designed to test the various systems that will be used when the craft makes its first journey to the moon with Americans.

The Apollo-Saturn 5 stands as tall as a 33-story building and weighs half as much as a navy destroyer, the National Geographic Society says. It is nearly four times bigger than the Mercury-Atlas vehicle that astronaut John H. Glenn, Jr., piloted on the first United States orbital flight.

Other space vehicles gathered a wide variety of information. Photos taken aboard Biosatellite II showed, for instance, that pepper plants fail to grow normally without earth's gravity. The leaves droop, and the stems bend.

Lunar Orbiter V circled the moon, looking for possible Apollo landing sites. Data from Orbiter helped the National Aeronautics and Space Administration narrow its list of possible sites to eight. The orbiter program suggested that scientists could use similar vehicles equipped with sensors to study Mars and more distant planets.

A Surveyor spacecraft landed on the moon September 10, and transmitted more than 18,000 high quality photographs. Data indicates that the chemical composition of lunar material is much the same as terrestrial rock — not a bizarre mixture of chemicals unknown to man.

Space experts believe that the earth sciences of geochronology and geology can thus be usefully applied on the moon.

Evidence from Orbiter and Surveyor spacecraft bolstered hopes that the Lunar Excursion Module, designed to take Apollo astronauts from their spacecraft to the moon's surface, can land successfully. Before these satellites were launched, some scientists feared that lunar landings might stir up blinding dust clouds that could prove disastrous.

Space exploration is beginning to affect the ancient science of geography. Pictures taken from satellites now help map makers; other developments are in the offing.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration plans to launch an Earth Resources Satellite in 1969 or 1970. The satellite will be packed with remote-sensing devices (radar, infrared, photographic) to radio back to earth a wealth of data relating to crops, forests, water and weather.

Present photographs from space can show more than 6,000 square miles of the earth's surface in useful detail. Such vast coverage, combined with the speed of camera-equipped satellites, may permit man to keep a running inventory of water tied up in snow.

Excited by the possibilities of satellites, many geographers are concerned about the lack of personnel to handle the flood of data from future space vehicles. The shortage of geographers worsened during 1967, according to the Association of American Geographers.

Government and industry increased their demands for geographers at the same time universities were seeking professionals to expand geography departments to handle more undergraduate courses.

Exploration of the earth now concentrates on the oceans and polar regions. In the Arctic Ocean, the United States Navy has been tracking a "false bottom" or "deep scattering layer." Sonar shows that the mystifying stratum hovers about 1,000 feet below sea level during the day, but at night goes deeper. Marine biologists believe the Arctic phenomenon is a densely concentrated form of life, as is the case with other scattering layers found elsewhere.

Meanwhile, ocean explorer Jacques-Yves Cousteau sent out his small submarine, the Diving Saucer, to study false bottoms down to 1,150 feet in more temperate regions. Captain Cousteau described the bottoms he studied as consisting of unicellular animals.

Captain Cousteau and crewmen aboard his research ship Calypso, whose explorations are supported by the National Geographic Society, tagged a number of Indian Ocean sharks with markers for later identification. So far, none has been recovered.

In Antarctica, Dr. Werner von Braun and other prominent space experts visited McMurdo Sound in 1967 to see how the area might be used to test the vehicles, life-detection equipment, and instruments now being developed for lunar and planetary exploration.

The scientists inspected five dry valleys at the edge of the Transantarctic Mountains, about 50 miles from McMurdo Sound. These mysterious, desolate, ice-free valleys are regarded as a natural training ground for astronauts. Because of scouring winds and dryness, the valleys have no ice or snow cover. Glaciers penetrate only part way down the steep sides of the surrounding hills.

American glaciologists initiated a project to obtain samples of 30,000-year-old Antarctic ice.

With knowledge gained from boring down into the Greenland icecap, the scientists set up and tested a deep-core drill designed to pierce an 8,700-foot hole at Byrd Station. They hope the ice samples will show temperature variations over the millennia; rate of snow accumulation; initial of extraterrestrial material, if any; and physical conditions of layers of ice and rock.

At the other end of the earth, an eight-man American-Canadian team left Ellesmere Island early in 1967 for the North Pole, each man driving a motorized sled.

Not since Admiral Robert E. Peary conquered the Pole in April, 1909, has there been a successful attempt to reach it again by foot and sled.

Each of the 250-pound snowmobiles towed an aluminum toboggan carrying equipment, supplies, and more than 400 pounds of food — in packs similar to those used by astronauts — for the 1,600-mile round trip.

Unexpectedly warm weather, melting ice, and other problems turned the expedition back about 80 miles north-northwest of its starting point. The expedition plans to try again in 1968.

## Two Christmases

# Stockings And Shoes As Well

By W. CEMILYN JONES  
from Madrid

I believe in Santa Claus and I'm happy to say that 100,000 Allocations are on my side. For San Nicholas is the patron saint of the Spanish province of Alicante, and he made a memorable visit to that delightful Mediterranean seaport town sometime during the 3rd century A.D.

Let's face it, my researches through the life and hard times of San Nicholas have not been as thorough as I could wish, and there are a few gaps. But I gather that this somewhat legendary saint was born in Bari, became a bishop in Asia Minor, was persecuted by the Roman Emperor Diocletian and then, surprisingly, arrived in the centre of the now popular tourist area of the Costa Blanca.

San Nicholas, according to the legend, presided over Southern Spain in the 4th century, gave, mostly oranges, for Dutch children. In Holland he is called Sinter Klaas, and as far as I know he was the first PRO for the Spanish citrus industry.

His day is December 6, and is celebrated in Alicante with ever-increasing enthusiasm. The gentlemen chosen to represent the saint arrive, traditionally by a fisherman's boat, three weeks through the city on a white horse, before presenting gifts to the children. This year, I regret to report, San Nicholas arrived by plane at Alicante's new airport, where his white horse awaited him in the car park. In bright but chilly sunshine he presented gifts to children from the Dutch community. Clad in a red mitre and bishop's robes, he then relaxed to enjoy a display of flamenco dancing.

In Spain, of course, Christmas comes but twice a year. On Noche Buena, or Christmas Eve, the family attends Midnight Mass and then returns home for their traditional Christmas dinner. On Twelfth Night, the charming tradition is that the children leave their shoes filled with grass or beans outside the door. As the cockade — or camelo — of the Three Kings passes by on their way to Bethlehem, the kings remove the fodder for their animals and replace it with precious gifts.

Within the last decade, largely due to American influence, the Druidical mistletoe, Prince Albert's Christmas tree and other customs of the Anglo-Turkish world have had a profound effect on Spanish customs. Spaniards are notoriously soft-hearted about children, and Spanish children are not slow to snap up a good bait. On December 24, at least in the big cities, the children hang up their stockings which are duly filled by next morning. And on January 6 they find that the Kings have not forgotten to load up their shoes. It is a bit hard on their feet.

Sadly the famous Christmas Fair in the Plaza Mayor, one of Madrid's loveliest squares, is missing. This fair provided all the necessary equipment for the traditional do-it-yourself baken, or crib. Elaborately carved (and fairly expensive) figures of the Holy Family, the three Kings and the shepherds are on sale together with cheap, primitive and frequently more attractive little statues, plus a fascinating variety of carols and cattle, palm trees and a wide variety of stables varying from northern Gothic to United Arab Republic-oriental in style. In recent years, the stallholders are also supplied trees, holly, evergreens, colored glass baubles and all the imported Fifth Avenue and Oxford Street essentials for the festive season.

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"We Should Keep Our Dirty, Bloody, Dollar-crooked Fingers Out of It"

## More U.S. Generals Join Anti-War Chorus

By ARCH MACKENZIE, from Washington

Military spokesmen are among the strongest supporters of the U.S. intervention in South Vietnam and the stoutest opponents too.

That fact helps illustrate the variety of war dissent and its persistence despite President Johnson's jabbing at the "doubters and complainers" who, he keeps saying, serve only to strengthen the resolve of North Vietnam.

Retired Gen. David M. Shoup, commandant of the marine corps from 1960 to 1963, has just delivered another scorching indictment.

"I believe that if we had and would keep our dirty, bloody, dollar-crooked fingers out of the business of these nations, so full of depressed exploited people, they will arrive at a solution of their own," he says.

He refers to "those crooks in Saigon," labels the war a civil strife, which runs totally against the Democratic party line here, and warns: "They (the U.S. government) just keep trying to keep the people worried about the Communists crawling up the banks of Pearl Harbor . . . or the beaches of Los Angeles, which is, of course, a bunch of pure undiluted poppycock."

He says the war must be settled by negotiation because the only way for the U.S. to win a military victory is to "commit genocide on that poor little country."

Shoup has company in the ranks of retired senior officers, although little is heard from most of them. Foremost is Gen. James



Shoup

Gavin, a former ambassador to France and once chief of army research, who earlier this year resigned from the

Democratic party in Massachusetts in protest over President Johnson's war policy. Gavin in 1965 proposed the "enclave" theory of putting a limit on American manpower, confining fighting to the South and gradually turning the war over to the Southerners.

Gen. Lauris Norstad, former NATO military boss, is worried that Europe has been neglected and damaged by the Vietnam war and urges the president to go to a city such as Geneva for a stipulated period and publicly invite the North Vietnamese to negotiate.

Gen. Matthew Ridgway, who finally cleaned up Korea for the United Nations forces after the Chinese intervened and Douglas MacArthur was fired, feels the U.S. is involved in the major Asian land war MacArthur warned against.

Rear-Admiral Arnold E. True says "our anti-Com-



Gavin

munist adventures bring us no return while social programs suffer at home and 20,000,000 of our citizens are

In such despair that there is rioting in the streets." True, like Shoup, says the U.S. nurses an anti-Communist paranoia which has no real basis in fact.

Brig-Gen. Samuel B. Griffith suggests bombing isn't going to halt the insurgency in the South.

"We can pour troops into Vietnam to fight conventional warfare and still have the guerrillas operating there 50 years from now."

Brig-Gen. Hugh B. Hester has said he agrees with Secretary-General U Thant of the United Nations that "this is a war of national independence, not a case of Communist aggression." He urges unilateral U.S. withdrawal.

Brig-Gen. Robert L. Hughes has said "we are prosecuting an immoral war in support of a government that is a dictatorship by design . . ."

"This is one hell of a war to be fighting," he adds. "We must disengage from this tragic war."

Hughes, now assistant dean of agriculture at the University of Wisconsin, favors a gradual withdrawal on the Gavin formula but sees no strategic value of any importance for the U.S. in Vietnam.

### Probe Opens into Effectiveness of Vietnam Bombing

## Air Force Ordered to Prove It's Point

By HENRY BRANDON, from Washington

The U.S. Air Force has been ordered to conduct its own full-scale investigation into the effectiveness of the bombing of North Vietnam. The report is expected to be ready by the end of February.

The bombing policy, as is well known, is a highly controversial subject within the government but there exists only one overall analysis of its results — done by the Central Intelligence Agency which, in this case, is perhaps the least prejudiced investigator, with perhaps the

greatest variety of sources of information.

Its analysis is said to have given the air force credit for having helped to reduce the infiltration of men and material from North to South Vietnam, for having made the war much costlier for Hanoi and for damaging its overall war-making capacity.

But it seriously questioned the belief of some men around President Johnson that, short of indiscriminate bombing of the population, it would by itself force the regime in Hanoi into submission.

Conventional airpower, therefore, as Robert S. McNamara, secretary of defence, put it last August, can neither win the war by depriving the North Vietnamese of their will to continue the war nor bomb them to the negotiating table.

The more obvious, in that sense, the ineffectiveness of the bombing became, the more insistent became the demands by the air force for permission to escalate the bombing in terms of targets. The air force could not admit its own limitations as the blame was put on the restrictions imposed on the target list.

This became the reply to all



There was no doubt about effectiveness of this direct hit by U.S. carrier-launched plane on North Vietnamese patrol-torpedo boat near Haiphong. Shadow on water near burning vessel is of passing U.S. Navy reconnaissance jet.

critics. And yet, according to interrogation of prisoners, of the 10 to 20 per cent casualties among the men sent south from North Vietnam, only about 2 per cent are caused by air attacks; the others fall by the wayside because of exhaustion and sickness.

McNamara was probably basing his views on the CIA estimates when he said last August before a congressional hearing: "As to breaking their will I have seen no evidence

In any of the many intelligence reports that would lead me to believe that a less selective bombing campaign would change the resolve of the North Vietnamese people."

He thus challenged some powerful forces in this country who are saying that air power is the decisive instrument of the war.

They are also the most powerful representatives of what former President Eisenhower called "the military industrial complex." After all, the U.S. Air Force and the navy air arm spend the lion's share of the military defence budget.

And yet the war in Vietnam, as the war in Korea, has shown that air power is only a supplement to, but not a substitute for, the arduous ground war. There are those in Congress who say that to admit this would weaken America's deterrent power. But this is absolutely wrong because it is the nuclear weapons which provide the ultimate deterrent and in Vietnam the question of using nuclear weapons has never been seriously considered.

Still, the admission of the limitations of the air war is a very serious matter from the air force point of view and so its pressures for further escalation increase.

In view of all this, it will be interesting to see how the air force assesses its own bombing campaign.

It is expected to come up with a careful and convincing analysis.

### Uninformed Public Sways Foreign Policy

## Poll Potential Menacing

By CARL T. BOWAN, from Washington

As a former public opinion surveyor, I hate to admit it, but the pollsters worry me these days.

The polls on Vietnam, in particular, strike me as more of a potential menace than as a source of enlightenment.

I am especially bothered most by the big national polls and surveys that purport to tell what the American public wants to do in and about Vietnam.

I doubt the accuracy of these surveys, to begin with, and I think the conclusions drawn from them are often of even less validity than the figures.

Even if someone could prove the polls' accuracy, I would offer what may seem a terribly undemocratic assertion that to base delicate policy decisions on such public attitudes is a dangerously foolish way to conduct foreign policy in a time of crisis.

As the U.S. moves into a big election year, it faces precisely that danger of decisions being tailored to the alleged passions and opinions of a not-always-informed public.

Consider the Harris survey of last Saturday which asserted that "the prevailing mood in America today toward the Vietnam conflict is to intensify military pressures within limits and see the war through."

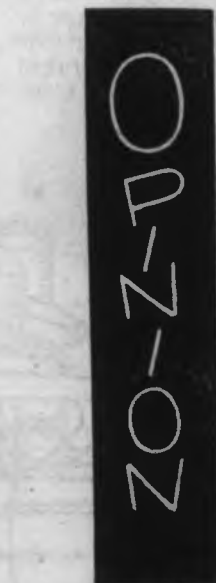
Harris surveyed "a carefully drawn cross-section of 1001 households across the nation" and found that 66 per cent want to "stabilize our role and build up the South Vietnamese army to take over the fighting"; however, 49 per cent of those surveyed want to "invade North Vietnam with troops."

These two findings are not mutually exclusive, but there is a significant measure of statistical contradiction, not to mention the military and philosophical contradiction.

Harris bases his conclusion that the American public is taking a harder line on the further finding that 58 per cent of the people feel that the best route to a negotiated peace is to "convince the Communists that they will lose the war if they continue the fighting."

Well, that is exactly what Lyndon Johnson has been trying to do for three years. Why, then, does Harris report in other surveys that a whopping majority of Americans are critical of the president's handling of the war?

Could it be that the people Harris talks to don't know what the president's policy is?



Or perhaps that latest survey point was too vague and some respondents meant to use UN speeches or leaflets to "convince the Communists that they will lose" rather than an escalation of the war.

There is abundant evidence of an erosion of U.S. public support for the war in the last six months, so I just don't buy Harris' conclusion that "the prevailing mood" today is for an intensification of military pressure on the Communists. About the only thing the

latest survey convinced me of is that the public is confused. And that brings me back to my question about the significance of these surveys, even if they are reasonably correct.

So what if 49 per cent of the people want to invade North Vietnam? Or bomb China? Or pull out of Southeast Asia? I'd wager that 49 per cent of the people can't name the president of South Vietnam or the premier of Communist China. So does anyone think the U.S. ought to make moves bearing colossal consequences on the basis of somebody's survey of pool halls, supermarkets and sewing circles? I offer no undemocratic argument that only the "educated elite" of America are to have a voice in critical decisions of war and peace. I'm also against making defence and foreign policy on the basis of opinion surveys among college graduates, or Wall Street financiers, or West Point alumni.

I am saying that people, aware of their limited knowledge, entrust the making of policy to a few men who are supposed to act on the basis of facts, reports, recommendations and intelligence data that is never available to the man in the street.

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## New Year's Message

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OTTAWA (CP) — A batch of federal laws and regulations have effect with the arrival of 1968.

Taxes go up. Tariffs go down. Interest rates will probably spread in both directions.

The noose is all but banished. Safety is embraced.

The government's most impressive New Year's message arrives in pay envelopes, taking the form of an extra 3-per-cent pinch on basic personal income taxes.

## WEEKLY BITE

Weekly payroll deductions will increase \$1.80 for a \$200-a-week unmarried executive. The extra levy for a \$100-a-week employee with a wife and two children will be 25 cents a week.

The charges affect 5,300,000 of 6,600,000 tax-paying Canadians and bring \$25,000,000 into federal coffers in the remaining three months of the current fiscal year ending March 31.

The tariff changes, a product of the Kennedy Round negotiations among more than 50 nations, include a dramatic series of cuts on machinery.

## NEW BOARD

Highly specialized equipment, judged by a new federal board as being unavailable at home, will come into the country in effect duty-free, a sacrifice in government revenue alone of \$75,000,000 in terms of 1966 import levels.

All told, \$600,000,000 to \$700,000,000 worth of machinery is affected by the single-stage tariff chops.

Other changes may make items noticeably cheaper for consumers.

## RAW BEANS

Canada is scrapping duties of two cents a pound on raw coffee beans, one cent a pound on cocoa beans and 2½ cents a pound on cocoa butter. Duties are being removed or reduced in one step on many spice items.

Where Canada is making the first of five staged reductions, Canadians may notice only a broader selection of merchandise rather than lower prices.

Since the new Bank Act came into effect in May, chartered banks have been permitted to charge up to 7½ per cent interest on their loans.

## A-1 FORMULA

A formula in the act provided for complete removal of the ceiling Jan. 1 if average yields on long-term government bonds dropped below five per cent during any three-month period of 1967 and this has occurred.

Next week, in law, banks may charge what they like.

Observers expect that competition will prevent much change in existing rates, but the banks may well offer cheaper loans to their best customers and increase rates for high-risk loans.

## BANK CLIENTS

After Jan. 1 bank clients are also likely to experience fewer service charges and other devices designed to increase the real cost of their borrowing.

A further change due Jan. 1 and likely to be announced Jan. 2 will declare a new maximum rate for National Housing Act mortgage lending.

During the last three months the rate has been 8½ per cent, a full 2½ points above the government bond rates that now provide the basis for a more flexible NHA policy.

## ANOTHER RISE

If the government follows its current practice, and Labor Minister Nicholson has said it will, the NHA rate will advance to 8½ per cent during the first three months of 1968.

## Kickback Pleas Entered

NEW YORK (AP) — Former water commissioner James L. Marcus and five men indicted with him pleaded not guilty Thursday to charges they took a \$40,000 kickback on a reservoir cleaning contract.

Marcus, racketeer Antonio (Tony Ducks) Corallo, and others were indicted last week, creating one of the city's biggest scandals in years.

Marcus, 37, one of Mayor John V. Lindsay's closest confidants, resigned Dec. 12 after it became known that the Manhattan district attorney's office was investigating a complaint about his business activities as a private investment counselor.

Six days later, he was indicted by a federal grand jury on charges of receiving \$16,000 of a \$40,000 kickback from S. T. Grand, Inc. for an \$835,000 contract.

Federal officials claim that many private lenders are offering mortgage money at less than the permissible maximum. The new federal bill on capital punishment was to be proclaimed today, abolishing hanging for a five-year trial period except for the murder of policemen and prison guards.

## LABOR CODE

And on Jan. 1 Ottawa puts into force the Canada Labor Safety Code, covering industries and enterprises under federal jurisdiction.

The code places general obligations on employers and employees, and provides for regulations to set performance standards.

## YEAR AGO

Since the code was passed by Parliament a year ago, Ottawa has arranged with the provinces to carry out inspection, hired safety engineers for eight regional offices, and developed a series of regulations.

The code applies to such services as highway transport, telephones, shipping and uranium mining, and to such corporations as Polymer Corp. Ltd., and the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority.



Watson



Smith



Starr



Rundberg

## Mayor's Men Charged In Los Angeles Scandal

LOS ANGELES (LAT) — Mayor Samuel Yorty was hit Thursday by a major scandal when four of his present and former harbor commissioners were indicted for bribery, perjury and conflict of interest.

The indictments came after a months-long investigation by a team of Los Angeles Times reporters.

It was the first major scandal to hit the six-year-old Yorty administration.

## FIRST EVIDENCE

Evidence of possible wrongdoing in the harbor department was first disclosed Oct. 18 by the Los Angeles Times. It had brought regretted denials by Yorty, who labelled the Times articles a smear and called the reporting irresponsible. He said

nothing would come of the issue and asked the county grand jury to investigate both the Times' charges and the Times' motives.

Yorty was vacationing in Acapulco, Mexico, Thursday and was not immediately available for comment.

## FIVE COUNTS

Five counts of bribery and five counts of perjury were made against Keith Smith, whose construction firm was awarded a contract to build a World Trade Centre in the Los Angeles harbor area without competitive bidding. Smith is a city human relations commissioner.

Also indicted were harbor commissioner George D. Watson on three counts. Former harbor commissioner Karl L.

Rundberg and Robert Nicholas Starr were jointly indicted on two counts of bribery each.

All were appointed by Mayor Yorty.

## FOR BUSINESS

Rundberg, a former city councilman, and Starr were accused in two bribery counts of receiving more than \$6,000 plus office furniture from Smith for a testing laboratory business they formed while serving on the harbor commission.

Watson was accused of one count of bribery involving a complex stock transaction he had with Smith. He also was accused of criminal conflicts of interest for voting to approve Smith's plans for the trade centre at a time when he and Smith had a debtor-creditor relationship.

## Six Linked to Girl Murders

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. — At least six persons will be indicted in the slaying of two secretaries whose weighted bodies were found in Whiskey Creek canal. Det. Lt. Fred Rehloff has disclosed.

Rehloff has headed the probe into the Dec. 8 killings of Terry Kent Frank, 23, and Annette Marie Mohr, 21. Rehloff and the FBI declined to elaborate on the extent of their investigation into a possible link between the arrest in New York of Silvio Williams Halikas and the slain girls.

Halikas, 69, was taken into custody by the FBI on charges of attempting to steal more than \$5,000 worth of stolen securities. The securities, the FBI said, were part of \$500,000 worth stolen from the Los Angeles brokerage firm of Rutter, Jackson and Gray Nov. 18. The victims worked for the firm until Nov. 15 when they reportedly left for Florida.

The FBI said both women — known associates of several underworld figures — were suspects in the theft.

## Names In the News



Halikas

YAOUNDE — Paul-Emile Cardinal Leger, former archbishop of Montreal, arrived in this Cameroon capital from Conakry, Guinea. The cardinal recently resigned as arch-

bishop to come to Africa to work among lepers.

BANFF, Alta. — George MacLean, perhaps better known as Chief Walking Buffalo of the Stony Indians at Morley, Alta.,

died in hospital following a brief illness. He was 98. During the last two years he suffered several strokes.

ROME — Queen Anne Marie of Greece, who is in danger of losing the child she is carrying, was admitted to a Rome clinic. King Constantine personally accompanied his 22-year-old wife.

LONDON — British self-styled Nazi leader Colin Jordan, serving 18 months in jail on race charges, is appealing his trial to the European court of human rights in Strasbourg on grounds it was unfair and violated freedom of expression, his mother said.

JAKARTA — Governor George Romney of Michigan has held private discussions with Indonesian President Suharto. He called the country's political and economic methods "sound."

LA JOLLA, Calif. — Max Miller, author of I Cover The Waterfront and other books, has died at 68. Despite failing health, Miller competed annually in the mile-long La Jolla rough-water swim for the past 30 years, and prided himself in finishing last.

VANCOUVER — Mrs. Myra May Retallack, one of the best known leaders of the Boy Scout movement in B.C., died Christmas Day at her home. Mrs. Retallack, 57, became the first woman in Canada to receive the Silver Acorn award in 1957.

NEW YORK — A woman doctor from the Philippines has been stabbed to death in her Brooklyn apartment. Police arrested her boyfriend, another physician from the Philippines.

## Crunch, Crash, Wham

## Smashing Time For a Drive

OPELOUSAS, La. (UPI) — Police said Eugene Neil Hoell was driving a semi-trailer truck on U.S. 190 west of Opelousas Wednesday when:

- The truck went off the road and hit a fence.
- Tore the fence down, carrying it about a block.
- Crashed into a garage between two houses.
- Picked up a car while en route through the garage.
- Carried the car and a part of the garage until it struck another car.
- Slammed into a tree, still carrying the original car, hit a house and knocked it four feet off its blocks.
- And finally came to rest.

Robert Weiss, 19, who was riding in the back of the trailer suffered cuts.

A man and his wife and their two children were knocked out of bed but were not injured seriously.

Police said Hoell, of Dayton, Tex., said he does not know what happened to start the whole thing. He was given a ticket for careless driving.

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## If War Far from Populated Areas---Sihanouk

# He Won't Fight Hot Pursuit

WASHINGTON (CP-AP) — The Washington Post quotes Prince Norodom Sihanouk, Cambodia's chief of state, as saying Cambodia would not intervene militarily if U.S. troops engaged in limited combat with Vietnamese forces that entered his country illegally.

He is quoted also as saying he would gladly welcome an envoy

from President Johnson to discuss the rising controversy over use of Cambodian territory as a sanctuary for Viet Cong and North Vietnamese forces.

**CABLED QUESTIONS**

Sihanouk's statements were made in response to eight questions cabled to him Dec. 23 by Stanley Karnow, chief of the

Washington Post's Hong Kong bureau.

The main question was for comment on reports that South Vietnamese or U.S. forces might pursue Communist troops across Cambodia's borders.

**NO COMMENT**

The Post says Johnson administration officials withheld comment until they can see the ac-

tual text of the prince's remarks. Only a paraphrase was immediately available.

Sihanouk said that if there were limited combat with Vietnamese forces in an unpopulated, outlying area of Cambodia, the presumption would be that either North Vietnamese or Viet Cong forces had entered Cambodia improperly, and in

such an event Cambodia would protest to both parties involved.

However, he said, if there is "aggression" by U.S. forces against populated areas occupied by Cambodian civilians, he would do what he had outlined in an announcement the day before. Sihanouk then said he would appeal for "volunteers" from China, North Korea and Cuba and ask for military assistance from the Soviet Union, China and other countries and demand other emergency international action in the event of such aggression.

## Black Day for Blackjack

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (UPI) — More than 100 automatic blackjack machines were banned from Nevada casinos Thursday by the Nevada Gaming Commission which at the same meeting granted eight major gambling licenses.

Commissioners not only banned more than 100 automatic blackjack games from Nevada casinos, but also gave industrialist Howard Hughes control of his fourth "strip" resort, allowed Del Webb to foreclose on the financially troubled Thunderbird Hotel, eased regulations on Nevada bookmakers, and okayed the takeover of the Cal Neva Lodge at Lake Tahoe by operators of Caesar's Palace hotel on the Las Vegas "Strip."

Commission chairman George Dickerson and commissioner George von Tobel took time to answer charges from Nevada assembly speaker Mel Close Jr., who said last week midnight transfers of interest lead to "indiscriminate" gambling licensing by the state.

In effect, both Dickerson and von Tobel said Close did not

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## Gallows Near End of Rope

Marcotte, who machine-gunned two policemen to death in Montreal three days after the Turpin execution, and Reginald Colpitts, who stabbed a prison guard to death in Dorchester Penitentiary.

**COMMITTED SUICIDE**

Colpitts committed suicide in November while serving a life sentence in British Columbia Penitentiary. Marcotte is serving life at St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary near Montreal.

Latest commutation came Thursday with the announcement that Roger Chevalier's death sentence for a night-club murder in Montreal has been reduced to life.

That leaves 16 men still on death row, none for the slaying of a prison guard or a police-

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man. This makes commutation of their sentences likely, in view of government policy and the spirit of the new law.

**WON OVER ENOUGH**

An unsuccessful attempt at total abolition was made in the Commons in April, 1966. The compromise bill this fall won over enough MPs to pass.

Solicitor-General Pennell noted during the debate that a murderer serving a life term must spend at least 10 years in prison before parole is considered.

Even if the National Parole Board recommends parole, the federal cabinet must approve the recommendation.

Mr. Pennell, a staunch abolitionist, also noted that a number of paroled murderers are leading quiet, useful lives.

**DOZEN WOMEN**

The 701 to die on the gallows since Confederation have included a dozen women, one in her 60s, no less than 21 teenagers in the 1920-67 period alone, and historic figures such as Louis Riel and Patrick Whelan.

Whelan was publicly hanged in Ottawa for the murder of D'Arcy McGee, a Father of Confederation.

Hundreds of others were sentenced to die but allowed mercy, giving an erratic effect

to the application of the penalty. Meanwhile, the number of capital offences steadily diminished. Men hanged a century ago for impromptu killings in tavern brawls probably would have been charged with manslaughter today.

Rape was struck off the list of capital offences in the 1950s and

in 1961 Parliament distinguished between capital, or deliberate, and non-capital, or unpremeditated, murder.

Although the new law was introduced as a compromise move toward abolition of the death penalty, some critics have said that it may re-activate the

## Policemen Ousted For Klan Duties

CHICAGO (AP) — An investigation of the membership of Chicago policemen in the Ku Klux Klan resulted Thursday in the resignation of two policemen and another being excused from duty.

Police Supt. James B. Conlisk Jr. announced at a press conference that four other policemen were being questioned, but he refused to identify them.

He said policeman Donald Heath of the Fillmore district was released from duty. Richard Stanton, also of the Fillmore district, and Dennis Aola of the Austin district resigned.

Stanton submitted his resignation Thursday morning. Aola resigned as Conlisk was holding the conference that announced the police investigation.

### What Makes the Perfect Husband?

Are women impressed by their husbands' ability to make money? Should a good husband be able to diaper a baby? How important are good looks? In January Reader's Digest a one-man survey on what goes to make a good husband turns up the answers that may provide hope for insecure males. Learn why not one unmarried woman surveyed felt that a good husband had to be rich! Why was intelligence the main quality every woman demanded? Get all the answers to the "perfect husband" question in January Reader's Digest now on sale.

## Big Ten

samplings and convincing ourselves we can win anyway."

A few cabinet ministers are expected to announce their candidacies in the next few days.

The others who are going to run may delay as long as mid-January.

Ministers who will or may run are: Finance Minister Sharp, External Affairs Minister Martin, Transport Minister Hellyer, Health Minister MacEachen, Registrar-General Turner, Trade Minister Winters, Agriculture Minister Greene, State Secretary LaMarsh, Manpower Minister Marchand and Justice Minister Trudeau.

There is naturally a lot of predicting here on the outcome but wagers to back up predictions are meagre indeed.

The April 4-6 leadership convention here promises to be the first real contest the Liberals have had in 40 years. Louis St. Laurent was a shoo-in in 1948 and Lester Bowles Pearson an even easier winner — over Martin — in 1958.

In such a close contest as the approaching one, every move, no matter how large or small, can count heavily, as the Conservative campaign last fall demonstrated.

And one of these moves is the timing of the announcement of candidacy. Premier Duff Roblin of Manitoba announced last in the Conservative race and ran second. Premier Robert Stanfield of Nova Scotia announced next to last and finished first.

### Girl Shouts

A 17-year-old girl who was grabbed by a man at Fernwood and Pembroke shouted her assailant away at 8:30 p.m. Thursday.

She was taken to Royal Jubilee Hospital for examination but was uninjured. Police declined to release the girl's name as she is a juvenile.



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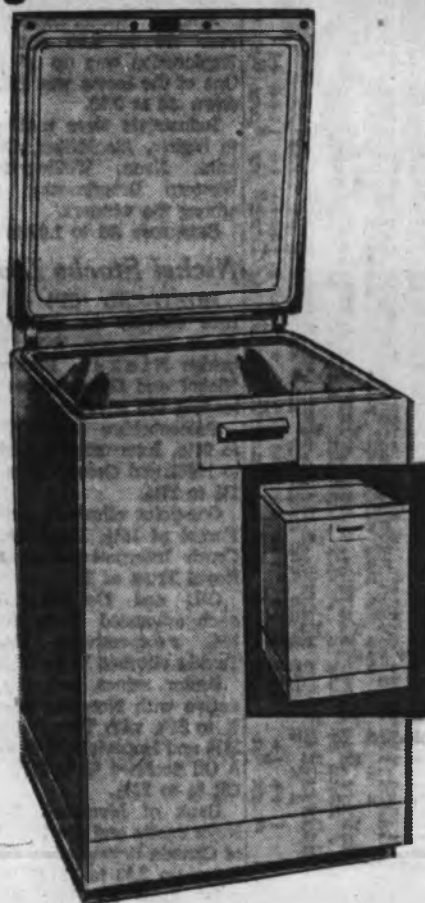
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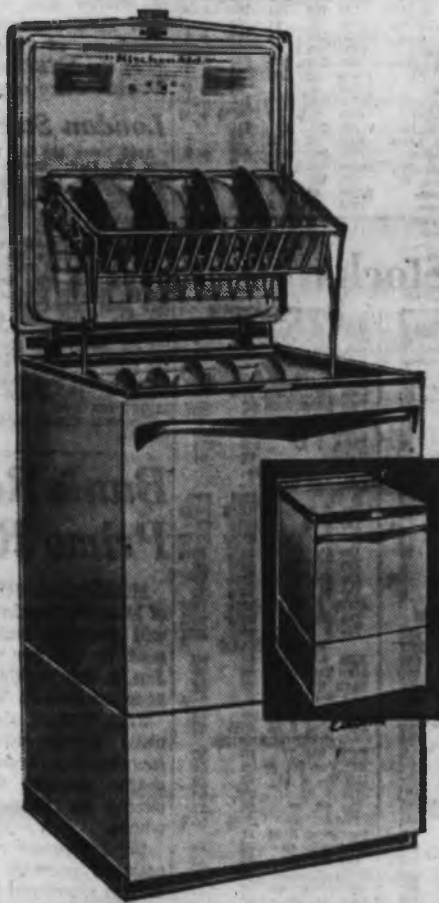
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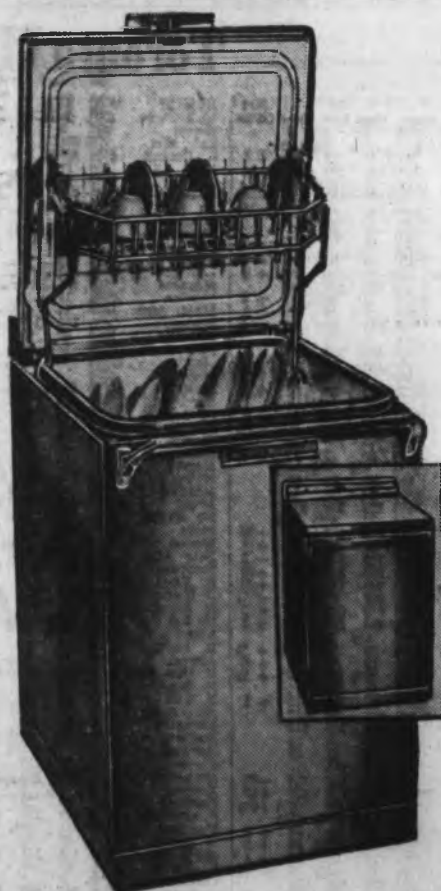
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# Price, Wage Restraints 'Voluntary'

OTTAWA (CP) — A federal spokesman Thursday denied a Montreal press report that labor and industry will be asked to accept a 5-per-cent limit on wage and price increases in 1968. The spokesman said the finance department is developing an approach to a program of "voluntary restraints," but it will not be delivered in terms of percentage guidelines.

## Home Best Party Place

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Home parties appear to be more popular this New Year's Eve than ever before in Canada, partly because it falls on a Sunday and partly because some popular spots will be closed, forcing costs up at other establishments.

However, hotel and restaurant operators will not be at a loss for customers.

Liquor restrictions—because the night falls on a Sunday—are cited by many operators as the major problem this year.

In Ontario and Manitoba, liquor may be served until 1 a.m. but only at licensed eating establishments.

In Quebec, intoxicants and dancing will be pretty well free-flowing throughout the night but bars must close at 11:30 a.m. Patrons will be permitted to continue festivities until 3 a.m.

Because of the bar restrictions, however, one operator in Montreal said only low-priced entertainment was being engaged.

### B.C. VIEW

"You're not going to find any club in town hiring high-priced or big name talent for the night; not when you have to cut the bar off at midnight," he said.

In British Columbia, Joe Filippone, president of the B.C. Cabaret Owners Association, said that although there has been no formal announcement, the government has indicated that licensed cabarets and night clubs will be able to sell drinks from 10 p.m. New Year's Eve to about 3 a.m.

However, a spokesman for the Liquor Control Board in Vancouver said there will be no relaxations on the law forbidding selling drinks on a Sunday.

In New Brunswick, liquor may be served with meals only from 5 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Despite restrictions, most establishments across the country report solid bookings with prices ranging from about \$3 a person cover charge in Charlottetown, P.E.I., to a high of \$80 a couple for dinner and drinks reported at one place in Montreal.



## Father Rejoins Daughter

Carl Downen, Crawfordville, Ind., building contractor, joined 16-year-old daughter Janet in Price, Utah, Wednesday after she was rescued from abductors. She said two men kidnapped her at gunpoint in Crawfordville Christmas Eve. Girl was rescued unharmed Tuesday in Wellington, Utah, after service station attendant became suspicious and notified police.—(AP)

### Greek Turnabout

## Amnesties Shrink

ATHENS (AP) — The sweeping amnesty promised by the military-backed Greek government shrank even more Thursday with disclosure that leftist composer Miki Theodorakis would not be freed as first announced.

This was another step back from the Dec. 23 amnesty declaration of Premier George Papadopoulos that all political prisoners taken since the April 21 coup would be freed for Christmas.

In what appeared an abrupt about-face, the top security official, Col. Ioannis Ladas, leader of the hard-line faction in the ruling junta, contradicted Papadopoulos on Christmas Day. He said 2,600 persons exiled to two prison islands are not affected by the amnesty and only about 300 persons would be freed.

A law published Thursday had been expected to provide for Theodorakis' release. But it provided reprieves only for persons convicted no more than twice for seditious activities and sentenced to not more than six months imprisonment each time.

The reaction was delivered in the form of a written statement after the report appeared in Thursday's edition of the Montreal Gazette.

The newspaper said implementing the guidelines policy is regarded as "difficult and perilous" for the cabinet.

The official denial said it would be premature to disclose details of proposals still to be placed before ministers. A good deal of work already has been done at the direction of Finance Minister Sharp.

The statement referred to Mr. Sharp's Nov. 30 budget speech, which said public opinion will be mobilized behind a voluntary program of restraint to bring about a reduction in the present high rate of increase in prices and costs, including wages.

The finance minister said this should be done after Parliament had done its part to restrain federal spending and to impose taxes necessary to finance expenditures in a non-inflationary way.

## Fire Damages Rail Bridge

EVERETT, Wash. (AP) — Great Northern Railway trains will be forced to detour around the fire-damaged approach to the Rock Island bridge over the Columbia River, 10 miles east of Wenatchee, Wash., for another week or 10 days, a spokesman said Thursday.

The railway will provide bus service across central Washington in the interim to take passengers to and from temporary Great Northern stops along the northern Pacific and Spokane, Portland and Seattle rights-of-way.

Meanwhile, GN trains operated Thursday over a single track at the scene of a mud slide 1½ miles south of Everett. Repairs on the second mainline track, which was ripped out in the slide Wednesday morning, were not expected to be completed before Saturday.

The Douglas County sheriff's office, meanwhile, was holding five teenagers without charge in connection with Wednesday's bridge fire near Wenatchee. A railway spokesman said he anticipated charges would be filed today.

The spokesman said that used railroad flares were gathered, put in a pile on the line's crosstie-coated ties and then set afire. The fire burned 240 feet of the bridge approach and caused some steel girders on the bridge itself to buckle.

The swollen, muddy Snohomish River, which crested two days ago at a near-record 30.7 feet, dropped below flood stage today. Army engineers said the danger was over.

Repairs, mop-up and counting the damage lay ahead.

## Campbell Rites Today

Funeral services will be held today for Alan John Campbell, leader of a provincial government crew that surveyed the B.C.-Alberta boundary between 1912 and 1924.

Mr. Campbell, who died Sunday in Victoria at the age of 85, was in charge of the crew that surveyed mountain peaks along the border line.

In 1946 he declined a government offer to be surveyor-general of B.C.

At the time of his death, he resided at 1128 Dallas Road and had lived in Victoria for the past 45 years. He was born at Collingwood, Ont.

He is survived by his wife, Laura Alvina, at home; a daughter, Mrs. F. J. Bailey of San Francisco; three sons, Alan of Ottawa, John of Victoria and Richard of Vancouver.

Funeral services will be held at 10:15 a.m. today at McCall's chapel, with Canon George Bidle officiating. Cremation will follow.

## Machines Stop Big Streak

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Annie Clark of Vancouver apparently is bating about even on the slot machines since her \$13,750 win earlier this week, a casino official said Thursday.

The dress shop owner won the money in 10 hours of cranking at Nevada's first two \$5 slot machines.

"She's put some back in since Monday night," said Earl Voss, a Harolds Club official. "But she has hit a couple more jackpots too."

"They were the little ones, but when I say little they're not so little—they were the \$750 ones. So she's probably still about even. But it's hard to tell."

Voss said the only one who would know for certain is Mrs. Clarke, and she wasn't immediately available.

Mrs. Clarke said in an interview after her big jackpot that she turned to dreammaking after a professional stage career which included a stint as a Ziegfeld Follies girl.

In addition to the \$13,750, Mrs. Clarke said she has \$12,000 in Harolds Club money in a bank at home marked "Reno money."

## Home Help Pledged By Premier

KELOWNA (CP) — Premier Bennett has outlined plans for what he terms a three-pronged attack by his Social Credit government on housing problems.

"I can't say too much before the budget is brought down in February," he said in an interview Wednesday, "but we will be trying to combat housing with low rent for elderly people and more home-owner housing."

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"A new policy will be to encourage more people to build their homes."

"We are going to try to involve municipal, provincial and federal governments to establish low or moderate rental housing."

Mr. Bennett said telephone calls will be eliminated and rates generally reduced for Okanagan Telephone Co. subscribers in April or May.

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He said it will cost the company about \$100,000 to eliminate the tolls from neighboring areas and to bring in the new rates.

## Robbery Loss Now \$403,907

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio (AP) — Authorities investigating an armored truck robbery in nearby Boardman said Thursday revised figures show there was \$403,907 in the vehicle when it was stolen from in front of a department store.

Boardman Police Chief Don Hawkins said an audit completed late Thursday showed the robbers escaped with \$364,541.53, including \$47,062.62 in cheques and \$317,478.91 in cash, mostly small-denomination bills and some coin.

It was not immediately known if the cheques were negotiable.

Hawkins said \$39,365.64 was left in the truck, found abandoned about 1½ miles away in a wooded park area a half-hour after it had been taken Wednesday. A shotgun inside the truck was missing.

The chief said he believed the thieves had "access to inside information" on operations of the Kane Street Service Co., which dispatched the armored truck.

Hawkins said Wednesday was the first day in several weeks the truck's crew had not included three men. The man eliminated in Wednesday's run was the one who had stayed in the truck body guarding the money bags with a shotgun.

The FBI was checking reports of some witnesses that a uniformed man who drove the truck away did not have to unlock it.

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### Four U.S. Sailors

## Asylum in Sweden

STOCKHOLM (AP) — Four American sailors who deserted and fled to Moscow to protest the Vietnam war will ask for political asylum in Sweden, the Swedish Committee for Vietnam announced Thursday.

It said the Americans will arrive early Friday on a regular flight from Moscow.

The Americans — Richard D. Bailey, 19, John M. Berilla, 20, Craig W. Anderson, 20, and Michael A. Lindner, 19 — deserted their ship in Yokosuka, Japan, and were taken to Moscow six weeks ago. In Moscow they have protested on television and in the Soviet press the Vietnam war.

A member of the diplomatic community in Moscow reported Wednesday the four were "fed up with Russia" and anxious to get to Sweden.

## Former Dean Dies at 84

A former dean of Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, died in Calgary Wednesday.

He was the Very Rev. Spencer Hayward Elliott who was installed as dean and rector of Christ Church Cathedral on May 1, 1938, and left 10 years later to become professor of systematic theology at St. John's Theological College, Winnipeg.

Dean Elliott was 84 when he died.

Born in England, he was ordained in 1907 and had his first curacy in Leeds. He later became diocesan missionary of Manchester and Sheffield.

**AUTHOR, TOO**

A prominent broadcaster on church affairs and a canon of the Anglican church in Calgary since 1960, he was the author of a number of books.

Dean Elliott was associated with hospital and education boards, literary societies, school, the YMCA movement and Rotary International.

In the early days of the Boy Scout movement, he was the first commanding officer in the city of Leeds. He was also an honorary canon of the cathedrals of Sheffield, Southwell, Manchester and Liverpool.

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The new 6% Bonds due December 15, 1971 are an addition to \$85,000,000 of 6% Bonds due December 15, 1971, dated August 1, 1967.

The new Bonds will be dated January 15, 1968 and will bear interest from that date. Principal and interest are payable in lawful money of Canada. Principal is payable at any Agency of Bank of Canada. Interest is payable at any branch in Canada of any chartered bank without charge. Definitive bonds will be available on or about January 15, 1968 and thereafter in two forms: bearer form with coupons attached and fully registered form with interest payable by cheque. Bonds of both forms will be in the same denominations and fully interchangeable as to denomination and/or form without charge (subject to Government transfer requirements where applicable).

The new Bonds are authorized pursuant to an Act of the Parliament of Canada and both principal and interest are a charge on the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Subscriptions, subject to allotment, may be made to Bank of Canada, Ottawa, through any investment dealer eligible to act as a primary distributor or through any bank in Canada.



## Fair Skiing Conditions Expected Over Weekend

Fair skiing conditions are expected at Green Mountain over the holiday weekend.

A report Thursday night said temperature was 30 degrees, that there was no new snow but two feet of base snow and that K30 is open.

The rope tow, snowmobile and coffee bar will all be operating between today and New Year's Day and there is limited accommodation available. Skiers planning on overnight stay are reminded to take sleeping bags.



## VIEWS of SPORT

By Red Smith

MILWAUKEE—Pride was the spur for the Green Bay Packers, the best-up, bleeding football champions of Creation. "Those other people," said Willie Davis, the great defensive end, "it was like they were going to come into our house and break up the furniture and walk all over us. They tried to beat us with words. All they had to do was show up."

"Well, maybe we don't have any Fearsome Foursome or anything, but we're eleven men and they have to show us. If we hadn't done it we couldn't have lived with ourselves. What bugged us, we knew we'd been in that ball game out there, and—"

He meant the game in Los Angeles two weeks earlier when the Packers had it won until a blocked kick—the first punt blocked on Green Bay in five years—set up a 27-24 victory for the Rams.

"We knew we'd been right in that game and we hadn't played our best game. Even at that, we lost on a real tough play. Then we got to Chicago and read how they'd walked all over us and how Charlie Cowan got the game ball and all."

The Rams awarded the ball to Cowan, their offensive tackle, because of the job he did containing Davis.

"I admit it," Willie said, "my pride was hurt. Everything I heard and read all week boiled me inside. No, none of the guys said anything. We didn't have to. We knew what we had to do. Forrest Gregg, he knew he had to take care of Dave Jones and Jerry Kramer knew he had to handle Roger Brown and I knew Cowan wasn't going to get another game ball."

"Nobody had to steam us up. I was afraid I'd get too high. I didn't sleep half the time. I'd wake up with nightmares, kind of. I had stomach pains, cramps. And I know the others felt the same way, Ray Nitschke, Henry Jordan, everybody."

"On the defence, we knew we had to do a bigger share of the job because our offence has been hurting. And you've got to give our offensive line credit because they had to handle that front four of Los Angeles, and those are four great players."

"I admit it. It was pride. People saying we were all through, the Packers weren't Packers anymore. We're not used to that."

The 28-7 conquest had to be one of the great triumphs of Vince Lombardi's nine seasons as Green Bay coach. As he summed it up, not gloating, just stating fact: "the highest scoring team in the league, and we had to make two fumbles for them to score seven points."

In eleven bruising years, old Henry Jordan never had a finer day. Ray Nitschke, the dean of linebackers, was a living flame. When the Packers got the ball, the defensive unit seemed reluctant to leave off hitting people and quit the field.

Once Los Angeles was close to a first down and the referee signaled for a measurement. "Don't measure," Nitschke told him. "Give 'em the first down. We're not ready to stop."

The Green Bay defence ruled the field, but a fumble halted the Packers' fierce opening drive and another fumble plus a 15-yard penalty for grabbing a face mask set up the Los Angeles touchdown. That 7-0 on the scoreboard seemed a calculated lie.

Then Travis Williams, the Arizona Road Runner, tied the score with a dazzling dash of 46 yards, Bart Starr threaded a touchdown pass to Carroll Dale through the upstretched, waving arms of leaping Irv Cross, and the Western Conference championship of the National League was no longer in serious dispute.

"One of the most satisfying victories I've ever been in," said Forrest Gregg, who has been a Packer through 101 victories and thought he had enough two years ago. "I didn't have cramps like Willie but I couldn't seem to get to sleep at night and then I'd wake early in the morning thinking about it."

The big tackle wiped blood from a cleat mark in the middle of his forehead.

"Sometimes," he said, studying the fingers, "you think about things."

## Roadrunners Spoil Portland's Chance

PHOENIX — Phoenix Roadrunners spoiled Portland's chance to win the Western Conference championship of the National League.

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## Fish Don't Know It

# Computer to Help Ontario Anglers

TORONTO (CP)—The Ontario angler looking for a good lake to fish is going to get some help from a computer.

An electronic brain is being used to digest information for contour maps of lakes. The maps will tell which fish they hold and provide tips on how to catch them.

Some 3,000 lakes have so far been surveyed in detail and information is being gathered on others. It will be more than a year before the first results are available to sportmen.

And even then the maps

will deal with only the most obvious fishing spots. There are more than 200,000 lakes in Ontario and mapping even a fraction of the number will take many years.

In preparing maps of lakes, the survey crews make physical and chemical observations which help determine capability for the production of sports and commercial fish. They also drop nets to determine what fish are already there.

This isn't the only scientific survey of the lakes. Under a program sponsored by the Agricultural Rehabilitation



Philadelphia goalie Doug Favell skids backwards to ice after making save on Red Wings' shot as Detroit's Bruce

MacGregor tries to squeeze between Flyers' defencemen John Miskuk (4) and Ed Van Impe (2).—(AP)

## 27,500 Possible Reasons

# Packer Newcomer One Happy Fellow

By JACK HAND

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Chuck Mercein is one happy fellow.

With a little bit of luck, he can pick up a cheque for about \$27,500 by Jan. 14. Not bad for a guy who was out of work in November.

It works out this way for the Green Bay Packer half: If the Packers beat Dallas for the National Football League title this Sunday and then defeat the American League champion in the Jan. 14 Super Bowl, he can tack away the money.

LIKE RED MACK

In a way, Mercein is in the same position that Red Mack was a year ago. Mack was cut by the Atlanta expansion team and hooked on with the Packers for a slice of the Super Bowl money. But Mercein has become a hard-working running back for the Packers. Mack was strictly a backup man.

Green Bay's emergency need of running backs, after Elijah Pitts was lost for the season, and New York Giants' decision to put their 1966 rushing leader on waivers added up to a great stroke of good fortune for this 24-year-old Yale product in his third year as a pro.

IMPORTANT TOUCHDOWN

In the big game with Los Angeles for the Western Conference title, Mercein started at fullback and scored an important touchdown that helped break the game open.

"It was a shocking thing to be cut by the Giants," said Mercein Thursday. "I was coming off my best year and had led the club in rushing. I didn't worry when I didn't play much in the pre-season games. They had backs coming back from injuries."

SENT DOWN

"When the Giants got Vince Costello for middle linebacker, they had to make room for him. They asked me to go up on their farm club, the Westchester Bulls, just to stay in shape. I went up for three weeks and they called me back to help out with their kicking. Then Pete Gogolak was able to get weekend leaves from the Army, so they put me on waivers again."

"This time I figured my future was with the Giants. I knew Washington needed running backs... so I went down and worked with their tail team. I was going to be activated, but hadn't signed any contract with them when Vince Lombardi called me and asked

me to come to Green Bay. He told me he wanted me to play right away, so I went."

When Mercein plowed through the tough Los Angeles defence on a six-yard touchdown run last Saturday, the score was

27-7 in favor of the Packers.

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# Beliveau Breaks Rocket's Record

Montreal Canadiens played Thursday night without centreman Henri Richard and Ralph Backstrom and rightwinger Yvan Cournoyer. But Jean Beliveau was healthy, and as long as they have their captain Canadiens always have a chance.

Beliveau didn't score last night but he was the fellow who managed the come-from-behind, 6-2 victory over Minnesota North Stars.

Playing between veterans Gilles Tremblay and Claude Provost, Beliveau fed Tremblay

Claude Lafarge scored the first of his two goals in the last minute of the first period to put Flyers ahead but Howe and Gary Peters and Bart Crashley needed only 25 seconds to put the Wings ahead in the second period.

Peters got his first goal of the season at 1:46 with Crashley and Howe setting it up, then Howe got his 18th this season with Peters and Crashley in on the play.

Norm Ullman boosted the Detroit lead to 3-1 before Lafarge and Gary Downhoffer came up with goals 61 seconds apart to tie at 3-3.

Defenceman Gary Bergman, who also got the clincher in the third period, then took a pass from Howe late in the period for what was to be the winning goal.



Beliveau

## Pulled Ligaments Sideline Richard

MONTREAL (CP) — Centre Henri Richard has been lost to Montreal Canadiens for the next two or three games because of a knee injury suffered in Toronto on Wednesday night.

A spokesman for the Montreal club said Thursday Richard suffered pulled ligaments in the left knee during the first period of a 2-2 tie game with the Leafs.

Another centre, Ralph Backstrom, and right winger Yvan Cournoyer remain doubtful starters for the club's weekend National Hockey League games.

Richard missed seven games earlier this season when he pulled up lame with an injury to his right knee during a game against St. Louis Blues in the expansion city.

## Simmons Too

# Ranger Coach Recalls Henry

NEW YORK (CP) — Coach Emile Francis, unhappy with his New York Rangers' scoring production in the National Hockey League, has recalled Camille Henry from the American Hockey League.

Henry and goaltender Don Simmons have been recalled from Buffalo Bisons. Rangers' alternate netminder, Gilles Villemure, has been returned to the AHL farm club.

NOT ENOUGH GOALS

The Rangers, currently in fourth place in the Eastern Division with 35 points in 33 games have scored 32 goals this season. Only Montreal Canadiens, with 90, have scored less. Their 90 goals against is only fourth best in the division.

Henry, 34, who joined Rangers after a one-year retirement at the start of this season, was sent to Buffalo early in the campaign.

He scored 248 regular-season and two playoff goals during his 11 years with the Rangers, making him the second highest New York goalgetter in history behind Andy Bathgate.

He was traded to Chicago

league with seven shutouts.

## Veteran Rearguard Will Rejoin Wings

DETROIT (AP) — Slumping Detroit Red Wings recalled former National Hockey League defenceman Warren Godfrey from Fort Worth of the Central League Thursday.

Sid Abel, general manager and coach of the Wings, said he recalled Godfrey to add experience to his young defence.

"Godfrey always has been one of the best defencemen in hockey," said Abel. "He has played with and against many defencemen who have come into the league with expansion, and he's always ranked as one of the best."

## Selects Win

KITCHENER (CP) — Moscow Selects roared to a 6-4 victory over Kitchener Rangers Thursday night in an exhibition hockey game before 5,200 fans.

## City Teams Win

Victoria edged Williams Lake, 3-2, and Esquimalt topped Qualicum, 4-3, Thursday, in fifth round games of the Chilliwack Free West hockey tournament. In the North Shore midget tournament, Esquimalt scored a 2-0 win over Qualicum.

Vancouver Island League  
2 GAMES  
TONIGHT  
Action-Packed Hockey  
7:45 p.m.  
STOCKERS vs. TUDORS  
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VIKINGS vs. Q.O.R's  
Admission — 75c  
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According to the Solunar Table, the best time for fishing is at the following times (Times shown are Pacific Standard Time)

TODAY		TOMORROW	
AM	PM	AM	PM
Minor 5:35	Major 6:10	Minor 5:45	Major 6:30
Minor 6:45	Major 7:10	Minor 6:55	Major 7:30

## OUTDOORS

with Alec Merriman

More fishermen fished Tod Inlet with more success on Boxing Day than ever before on that traditional fishing day in Saanich Inlet.

Federal fisheries officials reported 150 boats fishing Saanich Inlet for one of the biggest winter efforts ever. Around Goldstream Island in Finlayson Arm and Tod Inlet to Willis Point were the hot spots with Tod Inlet giving up at least six winter springs in the 19 to 22-pound class, plus a number of near limit catches of smaller springs.

Jim Gilbert and party got four, biggest 20½ pounds. Vern Palliser and Roy Smith got six, biggest 19½, Tom Alexander got two, biggest 19½ pounds.

Tomick plugs and bait (minnow or strip) fished with a flasher produced fish and nylon line anglers, using six or eight ounces of weight, seemed to do nearly as well as the highlanders using planers and wire line.

Herring have been so thick in Tod Inlet that when you get into a school of them they vibrate the wire line.

And it is the herring and the birds that are the secret of successful winter spring fishing.

You must fish in the herring schools, and to find the schools watch for the birds which work and dive over the schools. When you see these little seabirds working, that is the place to fish.

This week the herring have moved inside Tod Inlet.

Indian Bay and Ruck's Root waters in Saanich Inlet have been giving up plenty of heaper-sized grills for those who bother to fish them, but not many sports anglers bother with grills when there is a chance of picking up a button-sized winter spring.

The Goldstream Island waters have been giving up springs up to 14 pounds around Goldstream Island and between the Island and Hall's Boathouse and along the far shore.

Strip casters have moved into Finlayson Arm, working between Goldstream Island and the far shore with fair success. May Hall reports spoons on fairly light lines, six to eight ounces of weight, have been taking the springs.

The Deep Hole, off the kelp beds in Pedder Bay, provided some fine winter spring fishing over the holiday weekend for 10, 12 and 14-pounders on 60 feet of line, one pound of weight and strip or minnow with no flasher.

Victoria waterfront is still reported hot and 12 to 14-pound winter springs are being taken in Oak Bay waters, off Trial Island, The Gap and Fiddle Reef. There are plenty of grills in Oak Bay waters.

Grills and winter springs are being taken in Sanam Narrows under the power line and in Charnish Harbor. Mike Rippingale has been getting winter springs in Duncan Bay at Campbell River.

Holiday weekend rains sent rivers to almost flood levels, but even at that determined anglers got steelhead.

At press time most rivers were reported high, but dropping. It just could be that this weekend will see some really hot steelheading.

Low Ebert took a nice steelhead out of the Campbell River Christmas Day and his son, John, got one in a high water falling hole on the Campbell Wednesday. High water brought in plenty of two and three pound cutthroat trout.

The Salmon has been giving up a few steelhead.

Englishman has produced some. Nanaimo has also produced and the Stamp and Ash have been fairly productive.

They are getting a few steelhead in the Cowichan around the White Bridge, but the river is high and muddy. Most success has come from above Skutz Falls, above the claybanks which make the river so muddy.

Sooke has produced some fair steelheading, and so has Harris Creek.

The word seems to be: There were steelhead in most rivers before the water became so high and almost unfishable. The high water will have brought more steelhead into the rivers. As soon as the rivers become fishable again they should be red hot for the anglers who can hit them at that first fishing level, before they become clear and low.

## Nats Backer Dies at 72

WASHINGTON (AP) — James M. Johnston, 72, board chairman of Washington Senators of the American Baseball League, died of cancer Thursday in his Washington home.

Johnston headed a group of five stockholders which bought control of the Senators' baseball franchise in 1963.

Johnston and James H. Lemon, his partner in an investment firm, were among the original 10 stockholders who put up \$300,000 each for an expansion franchise after Calvin Griffith moved the existing club to Minnesota in 1960.

## Assassins Head Card

The Assassins put their world's tag-team wrestling championship on the line when they meet the team of Don Leo Jonathan and Rocky Johnson at Memorial Arena on Tuesday night.

In other bouts, Karl Von Seeger fights Eric Frenkel, Tiger Feet battles Jose Quintero, and Tony Orford will wrestle Doc Hansen. Action starts at 8:15 p.m.

## Bridge Results

Winners of the weekly games held by the Victoria Duplicate Bridge Club were: 1. Laura Thibault and Freda Smith, 2. Donna Smith and Vera West, 3. Freda Smith and Laura Thibault, 4. Mary and Owen Brown.

# New Era Ahead For Davis Cup

BRISBANE, Australia (AP) — A new era apparently is ahead for the Davis Cup competition with Australia's successful defenders, John Newcombe, Roy Emerson and Tony Roche, expected to join the professional ranks soon.

The Australism completed their mop-up of Spain Thursday in the challenge round for a 4-1 victory, Australia's fourth straight triumph and 11th in the last 13 years.

Spain managed to salvage a point when Manuel Santana, the 1968 Wimbledon champion, defeated Newcombe, the reigning U.S. and Wimbledon king, 7-5, 6-4, 6-2. Emerson won the final match, beating 18-year-old Manuel Orantes, 6-1, 6-1, 2-6, 6-4.

COMPLIMENTS LOSERS Emerson complimented the losers, saying "I know they are going to do well next year in the Davis Cup."

The big question facing the tennis world is what kind of a competition it will be. It will depend greatly on the decision of the International Tennis Federation when it meets in April to ponder the pressing question of open tennis.

MAY INCLUDE PROS If the ITF agrees to permit tournament play between amateurs and professionals, then the cup format could be revised to include the top players, amateur or professional.

If it decides against open tennis, the big question will be whether Wimbledon will go ahead with its plans for a new tournament in the face of suspension from the international body.

TRUTH IN REPORTS Newcombe said there was "a certain amount of truth" in the reports that he, Emerson and Roche were finished with Davis Cup play.

## New Honor For Unitas

NEW YORK (AP) — Quarterback Johnny Unites of Baltimore Colts of the National Football League was named winner today of the November award in the S. Rae Hickox pro athlete of the year poll.

Unites received 76 first-place votes and 267 points in a national panel of sports writers and sportscasters.

Light-heavyweight champion Dick Tiger was second with 10 first place votes and 86 points. Quarterback Daryle Lamonica of Oakland Raiders of the American Football League, 52-

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Jorge Velasquez virtually clinched the U.S. national riding title Thursday by winning three more races at Tropical Park as he celebrated his 21st birthday.

The young Panamanian now has 435 winners. His only rival, Alvaro Pineda, started the day at Santa Anita with 415 winners and also won three.

Only two other riders have ridden 400 winners in a single year, Bili Shoemaker, 485 in 1953, and Bill Hartack, 417 in 1955.

If the Davis Cup remains strictly an amateur event, then Spain has a good chance to win the prize.

Santana has said he plans to remain an amateur. His regular doubles partner, Luis Arilla, was not able to play here because of a strained thigh. And Orantes could develop, with experience, into a top-ranking player.

## Top Basketball Teams In Bob Whyte Tourney

Some of the best basketball of the season should be on display at the University of Victoria gymnasium tonight and tomorrow night.

It's the occasion of the seventh annual Bob Whyte Tournament, and competing are four teams who probably deserve ranking as the area's best four—U-Va Vikings, Victoria Chooks, one of the top teams in the Inter-City Junior Men's League, and Coffee Macs and Labatts, running one-two in the city senior league.

All clubs with the exception of Vikings, who will be without Skip Krook, will be at full strength. Coffee Macs, who were set back when Darrell Lorimer, Bill Spotswood and Ken Gregory decided to defect to Labatts, will have their three former aces back for the tournament.

Play opens at 7 this evening with Chooks meeting Labatts. Vikings and Coffee Macs play the other semifinal at 9.

Tomorrow night, the losers of tonight's games meet at 7 and the winners play at 9 for the Bob Whyte Trophy, won last year by UBC Jaycoes, who were unable to defend because they were committed to take part in another holiday tournament.

## Ski Team Leaves For Winter Games

MONTREAL (CP) — Canada's top alpine skiers left for Europe Thursday to compete in the Winter Olympics at Grenoble, France, in February.

The team gathered here Wednesday night after spending the Christmas season visiting their families in various parts of the country.

Returning home with the team was Andre Crepeau, 20-year-old Mont Orford, Quebec, skier who lost her place on the team after she broke her leg in training at Lake Louise, Alta., a year ago.

The squad of 11 men will be trimmed to eight for the Olympics which start Feb. 6. The five women, led by world champion Nancy Greene of Rossland, B.C., before Christmas.

They were expected to be greatly improved this year with the addition of high-priced rookies Bill Bradley and Walt Frazier. Instead, they have slipped to a 15-23 mark and fifth place in the six-team Eastern Division of the National Basketball Association.

## Knicks' Coach Expected Chop

NEW YORK (AP) — The sudden firing of Dick McGuire came as no surprise to the coach of the slump-ridden New York Knicks.

"I knew it was coming," McGuire said Wednesday after he had been fired as coach and replaced by chief scout Red Holzman. "When a team is losing, changes have to be made."

McGuire, 41, was fired moments after the Knicks dropped a 114-105 decision to Philadelphia. It was their fourth straight loss and ninth in 12 games.

McGuire took the Knicks into the playoffs last season for the first time since 1959.

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## Aussies Win

PERPIGNAN, France (Reuters) — Ron Coote scored two brilliant tries to help the Australian touring Rugby League team beat the Catalans XIII 37-7 Thursday.

# Santa Anita Race Results

ARCADIA, Calif. — Results of thoroughbred racing Tuesday at Santa Anita track and Wednesday:

First Race—\$4,000, claiming, three-year-olds and up, six furlongs: (Garda) \$61.40 \$27.50 \$21.50 Jim Jones (Lambert) \$20.00 \$15.00 \$10.00

Second Race—\$5,000, claiming, two-year-olds, one and one-eighth miles: (Pecunia) \$21.50 \$20.00 \$15.00 (Licorice) \$15.00 \$10.00 \$5.00

Third Race—\$5,000, claiming, two-year-olds and up, six furlongs: (Shirazi) \$40.00 \$20.00 \$15.00 (Tut N' Roll) \$15.00 \$10.00 \$5.00

Fourth Race—\$5,000, maidens, three-year-olds and up, six furlongs: (Gay Purrday) \$15.00 \$10.00 \$5.00 (Cousanguage) \$10.00 \$5.00 \$2.50

Fifth Race—\$5,000, allowance, two-year-olds and up, six furlongs: (A. Pineda) \$15.00 \$10.00 \$5.00 (Receiving Line) \$10.00 \$5.00 \$2.50

Sixth Race—\$5,000, allowance, three-year-olds and up, six furlongs: (Little Compton) \$15.00 \$10.00 \$5.00 (Seve) \$10.00 \$5.00 \$2.50

Seventh Race—\$5,000, claiming, three-year-olds and up, one and one-eighth miles: (A. Pineda) \$15.00 \$10.00 \$5.00 (Switchback) \$10.00 \$5.00 \$2.50

Eighth Race—\$5,000, added handicap, three-year-olds and up, six furlongs: (Sharp Curve) \$15.00 \$10.00 \$5.00 (Veranda) \$10.00 \$5.00 \$2.50

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# Wild Flower 'Sweet'

By PATRICK O'NEILL  
 There's nothing sweeter than a wild flower, claims promoter Christopher Crawley, and he's banking on that to bring in the crowds tonight and Saturday.  
 Mr. Crawley, owner of the Nine in the Fifth Place club on Government, is importing Wild Flower, one of the oldest psy-

chedelic groups out of San Francisco.  
 The group has been playing at the Retinal Circus in Vancouver.  
 The four members rented a plane and flew to Edmonton for a show Thursday night, and will arrive at Victoria Airport tomorrow.  
 "The audience will really see the difference between the San Francisco sound and the Vancouver music we have been hearing on the popular scene," said Mr. Crawley.  
 He went to Vancouver this week to hear Wild Flower, and was overjoyed with the product he bought to bring to market in Victoria.  
 "Wild Flower sounds the way the Jefferson Airplane would have sounded if it had gone on the way it was planned, before adding lead singer Grace Slick," he said.  
 "The group is strong on vocal work."  
 "They are nature freaks," said Mr. Crawley. "They are

## Mediterranean

# Russia Intends To Boost Fleet

MOSCOW (UPI) — The Soviet Union indicated Thursday it will send more ships into the Mediterranean and charged U.S. 8th Fleet planes were playing "dirty tricks" on the growing Soviet fleet.  
 The Soviet defence ministry newspaper Red Star said American planes constantly buzzed the new Soviet ships in the Mediterranean, spying on them. It charged the U.S. with "air hooliganism."  
 "The situation in the Mediterranean has changed and will continue to change, not in favor of aggressors," the newspaper said.

PARIS (AP) — The French National Defence Review reports the Soviet Union has delivered about 40 boats, equipped with missile launching ramps, to countries bordering the Mediterranean.  
 The boats, of the Komar and Osa types, "create a threat to our maritime forces which is far from negligible," the magazine says.

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Gen. Pavel Batitsky, commander of Russian anti-aircraft defence forces, indicated Thursday that anti-ballistic missile defence is his main preoccupation.  
 Some observers saw a long article by the general, who also is a deputy defence minister, in the armed forces newspaper Red Star as a clear indication Russia is developing or planning to develop its own AMB system.

CARO (UPI) — A Cairo newspaper warned Thursday that war could break out in the Middle East again in 1968 "because the United States and its tool, Israel," repeatedly

## CBC Union Verdict Next Month

OTTAWA (CP) — The Canada Labor Relations Board will make a formal decision at its Jan. 22-23 meeting on decertification of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees as bargaining agent for 1,704 CBC production workers, a spokesman said Thursday.  
 The Canadian Press reported erroneously Wednesday that the board had already announced formal decertification.  
 Wednesday the board announced that returns from a mailed ballot showed 1,166 workers in favor of cancelling IATSE's certification and 53 opposed.

## Amman Has Bitter Idea

AMMAN (AP) — Ford Motor Co. automobiles and Coca-Cola Co. soft drinks have been banned in Jordan, the official Gazette announced. The embargo extends to all Ford affiliates but excludes Ford cars and spare parts for use by the Jordan Army.

## Air Record

UNITED NATIONS (Reuters) — A record 236,000,000 passengers travelled on the world's scheduled airlines in 1967, a gain of 34,000,000 over last year, the International Civil Aviation Organization reported.

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SEDONA, Ariz. (UPI) — Robert McIntyre, Flagstaff, Ariz., architect, suffered a fractured rib and punctured lungs early Wednesday when a bull elk attacked his Volkswagen.  
 The elk apparently charged onto U.S. 89, ripped the left front fender and poked its horns through the door and window on the driver's side.

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# Mini-Flu Spreads

LONDON (AP) — Britain gave the world mini-flu. Now it's got mini-flu.

The sudden outbreak of coughing, sneezing, sweating and wheezing spread from London through the south of England Thursday.

Doctors were inundated by calls. Hospitals admitted only emergency cases. Some train services were cancelled because trainmen were sick.

Offices in several towns closed for lack of personnel. British European Airways reported "a large number" of its hostesses ill.

London newspaper headlines said: Flu Crisis Grows.

The minister of health asked the World Health Organization for advice. Its officials studied the incidence of disease in one area and reported that the virus—A2—was known and normal. London hospitals registered

four times more patients with flu symptoms than usual at this time of year.

"This is not exactly influenza," said a London physician. "But it still knocks you out for a couple of days with a stomach upset, cough and a light fever."

"Mini-flu is a good term for it."

Pneumonia cases have increased at the same time in this wet and windy December.

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — Outbreaks of Asian flu and similar respiratory infections are spreading across the United States, reports reaching the National Communicable Disease Centre show.

Outbreaks have been reported in 24 states and the District of Columbia.

The centre reported the mortality rate does not appear to be unusually high.

But New York City health officials said the death rate

there is slightly higher than usual.

The normal number of deaths from influenza and pneumonia in New York is 88 for the week ending Dec. 22. But there were 100 such deaths.

Health officials say it is difficult to measure the seriousness of the outbreak because schools — usually the best means of determining the rate of absenteeism — are

closed for the Christmas holidays.

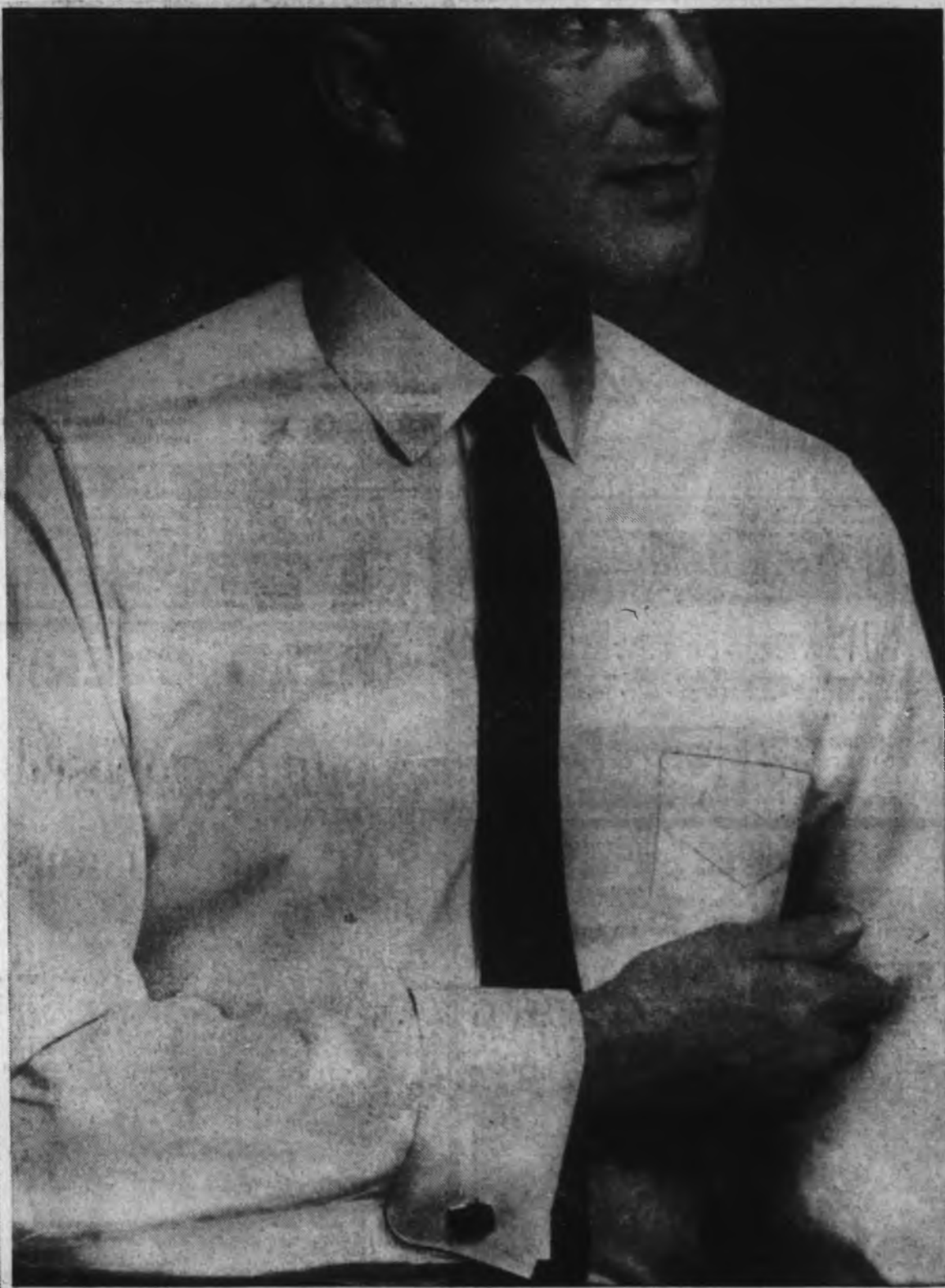
In most instances, an Associated Press survey showed Thursday, the virus appears to be a relatively mild strain and health officials say this is a part of the problem.

"Most of the cases are so mild that people simply won't go to bed," said Dr. John McCrossin of the Georgia health department. "They are walking around, spreading the bug."

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Mrs. Bradley, left, matron Mrs. R. W. Cowper, Mrs. M. J. Cull, assistant dietitian Miss M. E. Vincent, and cooks Gerald James and Jerry Nugent

### After 20-Year Hospital Career

## Meal Expert Home on Range



### Nostalgia Blooms in Garden

Delightful eye for patients and visitors is Japanese cherry tree in full midwinter bloom at rear of Veteran's Hospital. It was also reminder of home for pharmacist Noriko Makuchi, 24, who joined hospital staff two months ago from Tokyo. — (Jim Ryan)

Story and Pictures  
from JIM RYAN

Meal-planning should be easier for Mrs. Maxine Bradley from now on.

For the past 20 years, the University of Saskatchewan graduate has helped plan the menus for more than 900 meals a day at the 300-bed Veteran's Hospital.

From 1947 — when the hospital was opened — until 1961, Mrs. Bradley was assistant to the dietary director, and for the past four years has been director of the 61-member dietary staff.

#### 25 YEARS

On Thursday, Mrs. Bradley completed 25 years with the veterans affairs department, and now has left her post with the hospital to devote more time to the home she and her husband share at 2102 Wenman Drive.

Her position will be filled by Miss M. E. Vincent, who was assistant dietary director.

Mrs. Bradley graduated from university in 1941, and took a one-year postgraduate course at Royal Jubilee Hospital. She joined the staff of Shaughnessy Hospital in Vancouver afterward, and was there until coming to Victoria in 1947.

#### FINAL DAY

Before she completed her final day as dietary head Thursday, Mrs. Bradley was presented with a watch from the hospital staff, a set of pearls from her own staff, and an electric can-opener from the hospital nurses' association.

Although Mrs. Bradley says, "Perhaps I may continue my work on a part-time basis," she intends to devote the majority of her time to home-making, and her hobbies of gardening and hiking — the latter as a member of the Victoria Outdoor Club.

### Multiple Sclerosis Bequest

## Red Tape Tangles \$100,000 Plans

Arthur Hillsden, regional director of the Cosmopolitan Club, says it's an odd situation when his club is having trouble spending \$100,000 on a hospital wing while people are crying for admission.

"It is red tape, and apparently there is not very much we can do about it at this time," he adds.

The \$100,000 gift of a Victoria woman, Mrs. Elise Fielding, to be administered through the club was made with a request that it be used for the treatment of multiple sclerosis victims.

Mr. Hillsden said the club proposed using the funds to add a wing to Gorge Road Hospital.

But, he added, it ran into technical difficulties.

"Apparently we have to work through the Regional Hospital District Act, and this legislation makes no provision for bequests for capital construction."

"We have run into all sorts of difficulty, although they are working closely with us and I do believe it is all going to work out. It's just that the board is only six weeks old and hasn't yet sorted out its operating machinery," said Mr. Hillsden.

William Long, secretary-treasurer of the regional hospital board, confirmed that there were difficulties.

"The new act just doesn't cover this sort of thing. It's a magnificent bequest, but under the act, all funds must be raised by the hospital district. However, we expect to sort it all out to everybody's satisfaction," he said.

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The Cosmopolitan Club had investigated the purchase of a private hospital and found prices "outrageous," Mr. Hillsden said.

With \$100,000 at its disposal, the club found such a purchase far beyond its capacity, the club governor added.

"However, this other regional matter is going to sort itself out. It will just take some time."

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### Delivery Holdups Blamed

## Power Shortage Returning in '68

By MARK DICKINSON

Vancouver Island was struck by power shortages several times this month and despite initiation of a \$60,000,000 power-boosting program, the same thing will happen next winter.

This was forecast Thursday night by B.C. Hydro co-chairman Dr. Gordon Shrum who said repeated delays in delivery of equipment are preventing Hydro from keeping up with the power demand here.

For the most part of December, several pulp mills in Port Alberni and Crofton were forced to drastically cut down operations as Lower Mainland generators worked to capacity in sending power to the Island where freezing temperatures hiked the demand on power.

#### SINGLE FAULT

Though no homes were affected, they might have been if a single fault developed in the overseas transmission.

Dr. Shrum said from Vancouver the shortage will be repeated next winter despite a move planned to boost power. The move will be installation of a converter-transformer at Duncan to take power from an existing, but currently non-operational submarine cable from Ladner, near Vancouver, to Duncan.

#### NOT ON SCHEDULE

But this month's shortage would not have occurred, he added, if the converter had been installed on schedule last October at the Duncan sub-station.

Its operation will be the first step in a multi-phase plan to boost power to the Island.

The Duncan sub-station is a \$14,000,000 installation completed last August.

#### NEXT STEP

The next phase was originally planned to be in operation by late next year but delay in delivery of three direct-current cables from France has set the program back one year. This phase will boost the power by 78,000 kilowatts.

Dr. Shrum said that by late 1969, the Island's power system will be supplied by an extra 156 kilowatts on the present 240 kilowatts; will have two AC circuits, two DC circuits and a spare cable for each of the two current systems.

#### ABOUT A YEAR

From then on, equipment will be installed as required, he said.

"But right now we've been held up about one year in the whole five-year plan," he added. Dr. Shrum said the delays have been caused by faults found in the equipment after it had been manufactured.

He estimated the cost of the five-year plan at \$60,000,000.

### Hot Product Barges In

The \$1,500,000 newsprint barge for MacMillan Bloedel which caught fire in early September while under construction at Yarrows Ltd. will be delivered to its owners today, Yarrows general manager John Wallace said Thursday.

The fire, which took one life, delayed completion of the barge from Sept. 15 and caused \$350,000 damage.

### 'They Don't Hold Enough Meetings'



Mrs. Salt

A classic example indicating lack of municipal committee meetings was displayed at an afternoon session of the Central Saanich finance committee, an indignant councillor said Thursday night.

Coun. Margaret Salt was reminded by Reeve R. Gordon Lee that only committee members could initiate motions when she made an attempt during discussions of municipal estimates for next year.

Mrs. Salt said the reeve pointed out that it was a meeting of the finance committee, and that she was not a member.

"Imagine my surprise with a statement like that coming from the reeve, because I've been on the finance committee for one full year," said Coun. Salt.

## Limits Proposed For Subdivisions

New subdivisions are restricted to sites near built-up areas under a new land use plan to be considered by Central Saanich council in January.

The plan, prepared by the Capital Region Planning Board, also provides for green belts which would probably involve the purchase of low-lying, poorly drained land.

Reeve R. Gordon Lee said Thursday that the cost of servicing made the new restrictions necessary, and that it would confine subdivisions in his municipality to areas around Brentwood and Saanichton.

He praised the new plan as "the first comprehensive land-use scheme to be considered by a rural area in the capital region."

About 30 houses would be provided under the new subdivision plan, the reeve said, after which school buses would have to be provided or an elementary school built in the district.

It could work a hardship on some farmers who would be prevented from freely subdividing their land, he added.

### Found Unconscious

## Woman Saved From Flames

A 48-year-old Victoria woman is in fairly good condition in hospital after being pulled unconscious from a smoke-filled apartment Thursday night.

Mrs. Muriel Pattie suffered smoke asphyxiation when a couch caught fire at 6:30 p.m. in her apartment at 356 Simcoe.

Firemen said they suspect the fire broke out after she fell asleep while smoking a cigarette.

#### ELEVEN OCCUPANTS

Damage to the three-room suite was estimated at \$200. There are 11 persons living in the six-apartment building.

The blaze was first noticed by James Peaker, 22, who lives in a suite immediately above the one held by Mrs. Pattie.

Mr. Peaker said: "I smelled smoke, rushed downstairs to turn in the alarm, and then went to see what was happening in the apartment."

"I banged on the door but it was blocked by something and nobody could get in," he added.

Firemen said they found the door locked and were forced to kick it in. They found Mrs. Pattie unconscious on the couch.

She regained consciousness after being rushed by the Victoria Fire Department ambulance to St. Joseph's Hospital.

"She was in pretty rough shape," a fireman said at the scene.

### Supermarket Sweep-Takes

By NANCY BROWN

People with a yen for strong alcohol often share their expensive headaches with the managers of Victoria supermarkets.

Empty and half-empty bottles of vanilla extract are among the strange things hidden behind store displays for the cleanup crews to ferret out.

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"Anyone who drinks that stuff must end up with an awful headache," a supermarket employee said Thursday. "But the manager gets a headache, too, when he totals up his losses to sticky-fingered freeloaders."

Fruit peel, grape pips and empty boxes and cans tell a story each week to the crews who go in to give a thorough scrubdown to Victoria supermarkets.

Neither store managers nor employees are willing to talk about their losses, but the

same general pattern hits all the markets in the area.

Hardest hit is the drug section, where hair shampoo and mouthwashes are removed from boxes, and the empty boxes replaced on the shelves.

"Toothpaste is a favorite item for people to take, because it's light and small. We often pick up empty

boxes, or have people complain that they've picked one up," said an employee.

Markets which sell can-openers have double trouble. People steal the can openers to open soft drink bottles or cans. They consume the contents of the cans, hide the empties and take the openers home with them.

People will open up cartons

of cigarettes, take the contents and carefully replace the emptied cartons.

Crackers and cookies are another favorite target, especially if they are wrapped in individual packets.

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Then there are the women who open up packs of cookies, feed a couple to their children, and leave the box on the shelf.

It's a switch to discover the contents of a packet left behind, and the boxes gone, but little consolation to the store manager.

"People pick up packages of lard or shortening, and tip out the contents. Then they fill the empty box with a pound of butter and only pay for the cheaper item."

The cleanup crews find the peel from oranges and bananas hidden under other produce, mere testimony of appetites of some customers.

"It's not unusual, either, for well-meaning customers to

THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST

December 29, 1967

The Masonic Ball, last evening, was the most enjoyable and successful of the season. The attendance of ladies was large, and the Masons, appearing in full regalia, presented a fine appearance. The fine room in which the ball was held was beautifully decorated, and the busy feet of the dancers beat time to the dulcet strains of Haynes' Band until an early hour in the morning. The supper, which was served by Driard, was all that could be desired.





Holiday cheese bowl.

## Festive New Year Bowl

For your New Year's entertaining, here is an engaging centerpiece that is both decorative and practical.

One imported Holland Edam cheese (1 lb. 14oz.), one-third cup port wine, one-third cup mayonnaise, 1/4 cup of chopped nuts.

1. Cut a two or three-inch diameter slice from top of Edam ball. Do not remove wax coating from slice or ball.
2. Scoop out the cheese leaving 1/4 inch all around to form shell.
3. Put the scooped-out cheese through a food chopper using fine blade.

4. Gradually blend cheese, mayonnaise and remaining ingredients in a mixer at medium speed. (Or place cheese and mayonnaise in blender at high speed until smooth, then gradually add remaining ingredients.) Mixture should be smooth and spreadable.
5. Stuff the cheese shell with the mixture and cover with top.
6. Place miniature marshmallows on wax coating to make clock numerals. If you cut the marshmallows in half, the cut side will stick readily to the wax. Form the hands from strips of large marshmallows. Press marshmallow pieces firmly into place.
7. Place bowl in refrigerator, remove an hour before serving.
8. Surround bowl with crisp crackers and fresh vegetable slices.

**FILLING VARIATION:**  
Use one-third cup beer, one-third cup mayonnaise and 1/4 teaspoon of Caraway seeds.

### Kathrens-Parkinson

## Couple Exchange Vows and Rings

Shirley Ann Parkinson were an empire gown imported from Holland when she exchanged vows and rings with Douglas Stanley Kathrens in Metropolitan United Church. The gown was floor-length and enhanced with a cathedral train. A cluster of flowers held her chapel-length veil and she carried a cascade bouquet of white carnations and pink sweetheart roses.

### Truck Holds Gifts

A decorated cardboard truck held the gifts at a shower party in honor of Miss Karen Eastwood whose marriage to Mr. Roy Slaven of Vancouver takes place on Dec. 30 in Fernie, B.C.

The party was held at the Torquay Drive home of Mrs. N. Halliwell and was given by bride-elect's fellow employees of Heaney Cartage and Storage.

### PENSIONERS

Victoria Aged Pensioners, No. 3, will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 3 at 1:30 p.m. in the Legion Hall, 1616 Blanshard Street.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her grandfather, J. W. Parkinson of Duncan, is the daughter of Mrs. R. F. Parkinson, 220 Shakespeare Street, and the late Mr. Parkinson. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Kathrens, 2519 Fernwood Road.

Sleeveless empire-line gowns of pink lace over taffeta and toning headpieces were the choice of maid of honor Miss Susan Kathrens (the groom's sister); bridesmaids, the Misses Susan and Lynn Peters, and flower girl Miss Suzanne Ross. Ivy highlighted their colonial bouquets of white chrysanthemums.

The groom was attended by his brother, Rod Kathrens. Ushers were the bride's brother, John Parkinson, and Peter McDougall.

Mr. Parkinson proposed the toast to his granddaughter at the reception, held in the War Amputations Hall. Her grandmother had made the three-tier cake which centred the head table.

Invited guests were Mrs. J. McDicken, Mrs. J. Sinclair, Mrs. V. Evernden, Mrs. N. D. Barnes, Mrs. C. Wood, Mrs. A. Gold, Mrs. E. Barber, Mrs. C. Sobelman, Mrs. E. Cook, Mrs. D. Evans, Mrs. B. Green, Mrs. N. Chate, Miss Jane McKenchie, Mrs. Joyce Wae, Mrs. R. B. Zeamer, Mrs. B. Conrod, Mrs. G. Helz, Mrs. M. Shaw, Miss E. Malloch.

Leaving on a honeymoon trip up-island, the bride donned a mauve-toned dressmaker suit, teamed with black accessories. The newlyweds will make their home at 1465 Hilde Avenue.

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# Queries Nitrogen Effect on Food

By ALTON BLAKESLEE

NEW YORK (AP) — A biologist said today he is worried whether too much nitrogen used in farm fertilizers is getting into store-bought baby foods.

If it is, then certain nitrogen products might be killing some babies, or making others turn blue, he said.

The biologist, Dr. Barry Commoner of Washington University in St. Louis, said he did not know if this is really happening. But he said it should be looked into.

He spoke at a session of the American Association for the Advancement of Science on the subject of hazards from radio-

active fallout from nuclear tests.

Atomic fallout started a controversy as to what it really was doing or could do to human health, Commoner said.

**HAZARDOUS INVENTIONS**  
Many things that man does or invents have unexpected or damaging consequences, he explained. Badly polluted water or air from various sources are one obvious example.

Commoner raised the question whether nitrogen, used now in prodigious amounts to grow more food, also could be harming health.

He said it is well known that nitrogen products from farms — and from city sewage plants as well — can over-fertilize lakes.

This can change nature's normal balance in ways that had not been predicted, such as a pea-soup type of growth of tiny plants or suffocation of game fish from lack of oxygen.

Nitrate from nitrogen is usually harmless in the body, he explained. But under certain conditions, bacteria in the intestines can change nitrate to nitrite.

**INDUCES BLUE TINGE**  
If nitrite reaches the bloodstream, it can decrease the ability of hemoglobin to carry oxygen. This could lead to insufficient oxygen, particularly in infants, causing a pale blue appearance, or even death.

Commoner said a study, pub-

lished recently by scientists from the University of Missouri agricultural experiment station, has found that some commercial baby food — beets and spinach particularly — "contained as much as .8 per cent nitrate nitrogen."

"At this rate, an infant fed a two-ounce jar of baby food would receive about 40 milligrams of nitrogen as nitrate."

"Public health officials recommended that infants take, in their food and water, no more than 12 milligrams of nitrate nitrogen daily," he said.

Nitrite, he said in his talk, might also have a cancer-inducing effect. But he said he knew of only one such experiment, conducted in rats, which he said had negative results from prolonged exposure to nitrite in the diet.



## ANN LANDERS

Dear Ann Landers: The letter from the LSD user caused a lot of talk on our campus. I heard some kids say, "That settles it for me." Can you use one more letter that might "settle it" for some others?

I'm a 20-year-old college student (male) who thought it might be a groovy experience to "expand my mind." I smoked a couple of joints (marijuana) and felt pretty good after the pot excursions. The next step for me was LSD. I figured if pot made me high, LSD would really zoom me out of this world. You wouldn't believe how easy it is to get LSD around here.

My first trip was fair but my second trip was bad—very bad. My third trip was agony. It took me three days to figure out who I was and where I was. That was two months ago and I'm far from normal as I write this letter.

In a crowd (study halls are crowded) I still get that up tight feeling. Don't ask me what I'm afraid of. I don't know. A casual conversation usually turns into a heated argument. When anyone disagrees with me I become furious. Later I am filled with remorse and I get awfully depressed.

During these depressions all my character defects loom up in exaggerated form to plague me. I feel like the biggest liar, the laziest, most useless, rottenest person on earth. I get to thinking maybe I don't deserve to live and suicide seems like the sure way to take me out of my misery. Then a voice that sounds like God keeps saying, "You'll come out of this. Fight back." So I keep fighting.

I am luckier than most kids. My parents are great and they have been very understanding. I am under psychiatric care and I know now that one day I'll make it back.

I hope you will print my letter, Ann, and give me the opportunity to help some other stupid kid to learn for nothing what nearly cost me my life.—EX HIPPIE

Dear Ex-Hippy: Here's your letter and many thanks for writing it. Now, may I add a word?

There are no shortcuts to peace of mind and inner security. Contentment cannot be found in a bottle, a pill, a needle or on a sugar cube. The person who wants to get away from himself is the very one who can least afford to try it. He is the cop-out, the unstable, maladjusted personality who will crack when the going gets rough. He

number of psychotic teenagers who have slipped out after experimenting with drugs. Some of these kids will never be rational human beings again as long as they live. Want a terrible price to pay for a "groovy experience."

Confidential to: Hate those glass windows: A person who wears glasses "even though he doesn't need them," needs them. He hides behind the glasses in a variety of ways. They make him feel intellectual, or they may cover dark circles or wrinkles—or they may provide just the measure of separation he needs for himself and the next fellow.

### Mrs. Johns Re-Elected

Mrs. E. L. Johns was re-elected president of Victoria Women's Institute at the recent annual meeting in The Inn, Cook Street.

Other officers are, Mrs. R. Hodgson, vice-president; Mrs. R. Faught, secretary; Mrs. K. Berry, treasurer; Mrs. E. Ellice, director.

Annual dinner will be held in the Prior Street home of Mrs. G. Delmarque and will be convened by Mrs. R. Hodgson.

### Is Hippie Land Breaking Up?

Only two years ago the hippies proclaimed that hatred could be overcome by beauty, love and freedom of expression. But now the dark side of the hippie moon has become increasingly visible — murder, rape, disease, suicide. January, Reader's Digest tells the whole tragic story. What are the horrible facts about the new "speed" drug that is scaring even its users? Read about the lucky ones who have decided to work, and the unfortunate who will never again adjust. It's in the January Digest now.

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## Stock Exchange

# No Women Seeking Membership

MONTREAL (CP) — After 135 years the door to the Montreal Stock Exchange is wide open to women — but there are still no women members.

Jean P. Branchaud, public relations director for the Montreal and Canadian stock exchanges, says "We'd all be pleased to see a woman in the exchange, but not one has applied yet."

A hallowed tradition was broken last May when the exchange relaxed its rules to allow women to apply, at the suggestion of chairman Guy Hudon.

Mr. Hudon said there were a number of reasons for the change — five women had recently graduated from a brokerage course conducted by the Investment Dealers' Association and thereby qualified for membership, and the London Stock Exchange had adjusted its rules to permit women members.

He was also influenced, Mr. Hudon said, by the recent appointment of the royal commission on the status of women.

"More and more women today have money to invest. There are many widows, for instance, entrusted with the management of an estate. There are also growing numbers of career women with money of their own to invest."

However, it takes more than money to join the exchange. Applicants must have at least one year's experience in the brokerage business, approval by the MSE board of governors — and \$17,000 to buy the latest available seat.



Sub-Lt. and Mrs. Randolph J. A. Gynn leaving church.

# Couple Leaves Church Under Guard of Honor

A naval guard of honor, under Sub-Lt. L. Foster, was formed for fellow officer Sub-Lt. Randolph Jack Austin Gynn and his bride, the former Marilyn Ann Riddell, as they left the Roman Catholic Chapel of Christ the King Church at Canadian Forces Base, Esquimalt, following their recent marriage.

Father W. J. Boland, RCN chaplain, officiated at the double-ring ceremony for the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Lyall Riddell, 3930 Cedar Hill Cross Road, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlton K. Gynn who came from their home in Islington, Ont., for the wedding.

Pat and Steven McGibbon were altar boys and Mrs. Linda Tobolski was organist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was lovely in a floor-length gown of white tulle with long sleeves. Re-embroidered appliques enhanced the slim fitting cage dress and a detachable court train cascaded from the shoulders. A bandeau of tiny pearls and a veil of silk illusion net. She carried a bouquet of red and white roses.

Miss Liz Coll of Winnipeg, maid of honor, and Miss Leslie Hands and the Misses Kathy and Judy Riddell, bride's sisters, as bridesmaids were in matching floor-length gowns of red velvet. They carried white velvet muffs each decorated with a sprig of holly and wore a single white velvet bow in their hair.

Sub-Lt. Dennis Guelpa was best man. Ushering were Sub-Lt. Leonard Kuzminski and Raymond and Christopher Riddell, bride's brothers.

Flt.-Lt. H. Moore proposed the toast to the bride at the reception which followed in the Officers' Mess, Canadian Forces Base, Esquimalt.

For travelling to Las Vegas and other southern points in the United States, the new Mrs. Gynn wore a deep rose colored suit and winter white hat. Her accessories were black and her corsage a white gardenia.

The newlyweds are now residing at the Princess Patricia Apartments on Esquimalt Road.

Out-of-town guests were the groom's grandmothers, Mrs. R. Moulton, Huntsville, Ont., and

Mrs. J. P. Gynn, Islington; Mr. and Mrs. M. McLean, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Turner, Miss Mavis Bedford, Burnaby, B.C.; Mr. and Mrs. R. Knox, Qualicum Beach, B.C.

## Shirts For Rent

TOKYO (AP) — One enterprising Tokyo shirt manufacturer, considering the booming rental business, has started a rent-a-shirt club. The company claims it's 25 per cent cheaper to rent shirts than to buy and wash them. The club charges \$3.30 to join and \$2.15 a month and promises to provide members a clean shirt every other day.

## Bell-McNiven

# Newlyweds Travel To San Francisco

At a candlelight service in the Church of St. George the Martyr Thursday evening Miss Eleanor Lorraine McNiven exchanged marriage vows and rings with Mr. Donald Edwin Bell.

Dr. N. S. Noel officiated at the ceremony for the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne McNiven of Hamlet, Man., and the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Jackson Bell, 4064 Monarch Place, Victoria.

Mrs. R. F. Middleton was soloist and Mrs. James Furrington, was organist.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Bruce McNiven. She was lovely in an Empire styled gown of candlelight delused satin with a panel re-embroidered with Chantilly lace, the skirt falling into a cathedral train. Her three-tiered veil was also cathedral length and she carried a bouquet of white roses, red feathered carnations and silver tipped cedar.

Mrs. Robert Sullivan of Vancouver was matron of honor; Miss Susan Brown of Terrace was bridesmaid and Miss Amanda Bell of Seattle was junior bridesmaid.

They wore ankle length Empire style dresses of cherry red velvet and carried colonial bouquets of red and white carnations.

Mr. Edward Stanton of Trail was best man and showing guests to the pews were Mr. Wayne Fielden of Terrace, B.C., and Mr. Gordon Burleson of Port McNeill, B.C.

A reception followed at Executive House where music was supplied by the Highlighters.

For travelling to San Francisco on honeymoon the new Mrs. Bell wore a navy and white suit topped by a navy and white Aberdeen cape. On return they will make their home in Terrace.

## Club

At the December annual meeting of the Bastion Theatre Actors' Committee, Mrs. Harvey Waldner was elected chairman for 1968. The following were re-elected to office: Mrs. W. McBean, vice-chairman; Mrs. V. Martin, recording secretary; Mrs. F. Passmore, treasurer. Mrs. B. Crook was elected corresponding secretary, and Miss A. Miller telephoning committee chairman. The meeting was followed by a Christmas party and exchange of gifts.

# Lemon Juice on Tongue Test Gives Clue to Personality

By BRYAN SILCOCK

The London Sunday Times

LONDON — Everyone knows that your mouth waters when you smell good cooking. But is there a connection between salivation and personality? Unlikely as this sounds, the amount of saliva you produce in response to a few drops of lemon juice on your tongue looks like becoming the basis of an important psychological test.

The test is to measure whether a person is an introvert or an extrovert (roughly, a withdrawn type or a sociable one). That is, of course, one of the most basic things any personality test tries to find out — whether it is being used to choose an astronaut or diagnose a disturbed child.

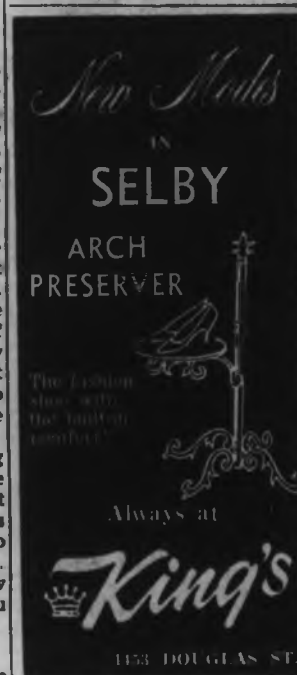
But most of the existing introvert — extrovert tests are questionnaires. The lemon test seems to have many advantages over those: it is quick, easy to perform and above all objective. It does not depend upon how neurotic the subject is. And you can't lie to a lemon.

After some early work in America, the lemon test was recently tried on a large scale by Prof. H. J. and Sybil Eysenck of the University of London Institute of Psychiatry. They took 50 men and 50 women, all baffled volunteers. The Eysencks measured the volunteers' normal rates of salivation by putting a cotton-wool swab on the salivary gland under the tongue for exactly 20 seconds. The difference in the swab's weight before and after measured the amount of saliva produced. Then they put four drops of lemon juice on each volunteer's tongue, and measured the extra saliva produced in response.

The results, "Perceptual and Motor Skills" show a close relationship between introversion and salivation; the more introverted the volunteer is, the more saliva he tends to produce after the lemon.

This is more than a conjuring trick. It does actually fit in very well with theory. Many psychologists think that the level of "arousal" in the brain is what

distinguishes extroverts from introverts. The extroverts are, as it were, taking in more sensation every moment.



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# SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Sold-Out sign is up at the Royal Colwood Golf and Country Club for New Year's Eve and 75 couples plan to dance to the music of Irving Loezler's Orchestra that evening.

Reservations have been made for tables by Dr. G. Clay, Mr. C. Margerson, Mr. J. Murphy, Mr. Bill Passmore, Mr. B. Hamilton, Mr. V. Fruggie, Mr. Bill Hodgson, Mr. D. Robertson, Mr. Tom Restell, Mr. K. Johnson, Mr. Ralph Baker, Mr. I. Dowman, Mr. E. Mullins, Mr. W. Denson and Mr. A. Beardshaw.

A pre-dance cocktail party is being held by Mr. and Mrs. John Fleming in their Highbrook Avenue home for Dr. and Mrs. Clay, Mr. and Mrs. W. Sambrooke, Mr. and Mrs. G. Dalby, Mr. and Mrs. J. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. D. McGimpsey, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Hudson.

Mrs. Mabel Hunt will entertain at her home Mr. and Mrs. Bill Passmore, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Passmore, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bruce, Mr. N. Montague and Mr. and Mrs. Robbins.

At the Leila Place home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Restell will be Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Lott, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Neilson and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Gladman will entertain Mr. and Mrs. K. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hanson, Mr. S. Bond and Mr. G. Lamont.

On Aldene Avenue at Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Cuppage's home will be Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Shieles, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Ewing, Mr. Bill Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. G. Lomas.

## Pittsburgh Visitor

Dr. Helen Johnston of Pittsburgh is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Johnston, 1476 Beach Drive.

## January Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Hunter of Tsawwassen, formerly of Victoria, announce the engagement of their daughter Beverly Irene to Mr. James Alan Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Stewart, Victoria. The wedding will take place on Saturday, Jan. 20, at 1:30 p.m. in St. Matthias Church, Vancouver.

## 21st Birthday Celebration

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Davidson of 3108 Field Street entertained at a dinner party for 10 at Oak Bay Beach Hotel recently, in honor of their son Andrew who was celebrating his 21st birthday. The Saturday before he was guest of honor at a party in the West Gorge Road home of Miss Sharon Squires. Co-hostesses were the Misses Pat McLean and Donna Smith.

## Golden Wedding Dec. 31

Mr. and Mrs. John E. S. Whittle, Haultain Street, will mark their golden wedding anniversary on Dec. 31 at an "open house" from 2 to 5 p.m. at their home, 1731 Haultain Street. Mr. Whittle was born in Jersey, Channel Islands, and his wife, the former Elsie Lee at Tottenham, London, England. Mr. Whittle came to Canada in 1907 and has lived in Victoria since 1908. He served overseas with the Canadian Army Medical Corps in the First World War during which he met his wife. They were married in Turnham Green Church, Chiswick, on New Year's Eve in 1917, following which they came to Victoria in 1919. There are two sons, Roy J. in North Vancouver and Stanley F. in Toronto, and nine grandchildren. A dinner party honoring their parents will be hosted by their sons at the Imperial Hotel for relatives at 7 p.m.

## PTA Children's Movie Guide

This table of classifications is prepared by the Victoria & District Parent-Teacher Council and is based chiefly upon reviews in Parents' Magazine and the monthly bulletin of the British Film Institute. With the co-operation of Victoria theatre managers, it covers current films.

TITLE	CHILDREN (8-12 Years)	YOUTHS (13-18 Years)
The Ambushers	No Review Available	No Review Available
The Bible	Mature Because Long and Needs Explanation	Excellent
The Birds, the Bees & the Italians	No Review Available	No Review Available
Flexibility	No Review Available	No Review Available
A Guide for the Married Man	No Review Available	No Review Available
The Joker	No Review Available	No Review Available
Smashing Time	No Review Available	No Review Available
Thoroughly Modern Millie	Over 16	Very Good

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## Alberni Unions Blast Sharp

# What About the Worker?

PORT ALBERNI — The Alberni and District Labor Council is no happier with Finance Minister Mitchell Sharp's reply to its letter of protest than it was about the tax changes which prompted it.

Secretary Maurice Corbell said the council received a reply to the Nov. 15 letter which the council wrote protesting the proposed tax increases, and urging implementation of the Carter Report.

"All the reply does is make excuses for the tax increases," Mr. Corbell said. "Sharp's letter says 'You will have noticed from reports in the press that the necessary addi-



Sharp

tional revenue is to be obtained from corporations, increased taxes on alcohol and tobacco and a surtax on individual income tax."

"It does not appear to us that corporations are being taxed more, and it is all very well for Sharp to say in his letter surtax does not apply to those on very small incomes, and is being kept relatively low for those whose income is under the \$5,000 level."

"But today a man needs to earn \$7,500 a year before he can even buy a house."

Mr. Sharp's letter to the labor council gave examples of the projected increase, showing a single taxpayer with no dependents and \$5,000 income would pay \$2.05 more a month.

A married man with two dependents and the same income would pay 84 cents more per month.

"Mr. Sharp's budget only compounds the inequities found by the Carter Commission Report," the labor council statement claimed.

"The higher sales tax falls more heavily on the poor than on the rich," the council contends.

"The average citizen may not buy as much liquor or tobacco, but the increase is harder for him to take," Mr. Corbell said.

"Meantime, capital gains remain untaxed and the exemptions for the low income groups hardly vary."

"However for the rich and the very rich, a special tax ceiling is provided for those with incomes in excess of \$50,000," Mr. Corbell asserted.

"The whole burden of increase is on the average citizen, while corporations pay no increased taxes."

## Look, Learn, Remember Pat!

Story and photo  
By AGNES FLETT

DUNCAN — There are very few students doing daily homework in the Christmas holidays, but at the Cowichan reserve

there is at least one enthusiastic student, Pat Charlie, 74. Pat passed into Grade 2 at Christmas, after beginning Grade 1 in September.

He is attending an Indian adult education course at the

Mount Prevost Junior Secondary School near Duncan, sponsored by the Cowichan band, with the help of the Indian Affairs Department and the school district.

When asked why he is work-

ing so hard during the holidays, Pat replied, "So I won't forget all I learned before Christmas."

The class is for Indians only. Pat is a grandmother as well as an enthusiastic pupil.

He said when he thought back 60 years he realized he wanted to go to school then, but couldn't.

His father was a fisherman and a logger and he needed help from young Pat.

"We worked all the time and there were no spare days for me to attend school," he said.

Mr. Charlie said "As long as I live I'm going to attend school."

He would not venture to say how far he planned to go in school, only that he would continue to attend as long as he lives.

Pat said his grandchildren are a big help to him when doing his homework, especially his eldest granddaughter, Patricia, one of his many relatives who lives with him. She is in Grade 5.

Among the others are his married daughter Margaret and her husband.

This means that he is never without someone to help him with his reading, writing or arithmetic problems.

Grandpa said he hopes he will be an example to his grandchildren. "I hope it keeps them attending school, I'd hate any of them to be dropouts," he said.

"After all, I was never a dropout, I never dropped in!" His grandchildren had to agree with him, it wasn't his fault that he never had the opportunity to attend school.

Thinking back deeply, Pat told how he was given the job of greasing skids for the logs on the skidroads near Cobble Hill, and how the logs were pulled by oxen.

He remembered how "awful heavy" those big buckets of grease were, and that he had to carry them all day.

"Sometimes I worked 12-14 hours a day greasing the skids. Later I was a whistle punk in the woods, with a little steam donkey."

"Of course every year I went with Dad to the fishing grounds for two or three months. When fishing was over, back I went to the woods."

When he was older Mr. Charlie found a steady job — as a longshoreman.

He started near Chemainus 45 years ago, and only retired two years ago.

"I didn't want to quit, but the company made me, I was 72 and they said it was against all regulations to work at that age. I had to retire, so I went to school."

"It's a lot harder than longshoring."

## Burglars At Work

CHEMAINUS—Burglars have been very active during the holiday period in the Chemainus and Crofton areas.

They succeeded in stealing cash ranging from as little as \$1.60 at the Crofton BA station, to \$150 at the Horseshoe Bay Inn, Chemainus.

They took between \$6 and \$8 cash from Chemainus Hardware and escaped from Crofton fire hall with \$6 and three bottles of liquor.

Burglars were interrupted from gaining access to the Chemainus Legion building while taking the hinges off a door.

## Hospital Names Chief of Staff

KAMLOOPS, B.C. (CP)—The Board of Directors of Royal Inland Hospital has approved the appointment of Dr. A. D. McDougall as chief of staff. The honorary position was recommended by the medical staff when the hospital's administration was separated into clinical and medical sections.



—Agnes Flett photo

Pat helps Pat

## Oyen's Crawlers Live

# Good Reptilutation

By KLAUS MUENTER

DUNCAN — The Cowichan Valley climate is good for reptiles who grow old with ease under the careful hands of Jim Oyen, Duncan zoo owner and operator.

Mr. Oyen was given a pat on

the back by the curator for reptiles at the San Diego Zoo, Charles E. Shaw.

Mr. Shaw is also assistant director of the San Diego Zoo which has one of the largest reptile collections in the world.

Mr. Shaw recently told Mr. Oyen "I certainly envy you your records with the chameleons that usually go for two years."

"This is really exceptional in any collection, most of them living just a matter of months before dying."

The chameleons at the Dun-

can zoo by far attained a record, according to the San Diego expert.

They are nine years old and still going strong.

He and his wife, Tosca, started a reptile zoo in the Glenora area in 1959, but several years ago the zoo was relocated opposite the Duncan golf course south of the city and the couple, who immigrated to Canada from Holland in the early 1950's soon made their zoo one of the main attractions in the Cowichan Valley.



Oyen and friend

## Nanaimo Next For CBC

NANAIMO — Perhaps the CBC was a little hard on the Alberni Valley recently with its Young in a Small Town program. Well, it's going to make it up to Vancouver Island with a New Year's honor to Nanaimo.

The CBC radio network is planning a live New Year's Eve broadcast, starting at 7 p.m. in Newfoundland, and moving gradually across the country.

The program will end around midnight in Nanaimo, at the Pioneer's Ball. Special guest will be Mayor-elect Frank Ney, originator of the Great Centennial Bathub Race.

In its latest listings and reviews, the CBC mentions the two top centennial events in Canada as being Expo and the tub race across Georgia Strait, which attracted 214 entries.

No fewer than six radio and television shows referring to the race will be broadcast on the CBC around New Year's.

They include news review spots and an 8 p.m. show on Channels 2 and 6 on Monday, New Year's Day.

Max Ferguson, better known as Rawhide, will commentate one of the half-dozen shows.

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**Centennial Group Spends \$1,000,000****Year of Century Full of Life**

By A. H. MURPHY

Greater Victoria Centennial Society will wind up a \$1,000,000 year on Wednesday.

One more event of importance is scheduled, the big New Year's Eve celebration on the Causeway, but for all practical purposes the society will disband after nearly two years.

Meanwhile, society secretary-treasurer C. C. Wyatt, is preparing a bulky report on the hundreds of events scheduled for 20 festive months.

It also shows that more than \$1,000,000 was spent. The money was contributed by the federal government, the province and

the municipalities on a per capita basis.

Victoria and Vancouver Island got a head start on the rest of the nation and began celebrating in 1966 in honor of the centenary of the union of the island and the mainland.

It was not all harmony, however, and a point of conflict in 1966 was the production by both Saanich and Victoria of plans for a major stadium. However, the difficulty resolved itself and by the end of the year both were agreed on a stadium on the university grounds.

That project was completed in 1967 at a cost of \$804,000, and its opening was a highlight of the centennial year.

But there were others. The arrival of the Centennial Train in March was one. Seventy thousand people thought it worthwhile to stand out in the rain awaiting admittance.

Another was the big Folk Arts

Festival here in the late summer. It was Canada-wide in scope and drew more than 100 performers. And it was one of the financially rewarding events. About \$16,000 was spent and all but \$400 recovered.

Among the celebrities who visited Victoria were Princess Alexandra, Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia, Queen Juliana of the Netherlands, Prince and Princess Takamatsu of Japan and Crown Prince Harald of Norway.

There were many sporting events, some of them days long. Other events of importance were the RCMP Musical Ride,

seen by 11,000, and the Canadian Military Tattoo, described as one of the great spectacles of the year.

And there was The Best of Barkerville, which played to sellout houses in the McPherson Playhouse in February and April.

Jerry Gosley, centennial coordinator, and Mr. Wyatt estimate that the events of the 20-month program attracted attendance of at least 1,000,000.

The report, unique in the history of Victoria celebrations, will be designed as a blueprint for the future.

"We have acquired a lot of know-how during these centennial years, and it would be a shame to see it wasted," Mr. Wyatt said.

And, incidentally, he added, the centennial society gave out 63,851 centennial souvenirs — calendars, books, medallions and maps.

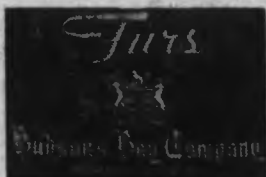
**Bumper Crops**

HONG KONG (Reuters) — China has reported bumper 1967 harvests in many parts of the country. Grain and cotton production surpassed previous years, Radio Peking said.

**Men Kidnapped**

SEOUL (AP) — North Korean naval vessels kidnapped three South Korean fishing boats and their 18 crew members off the east coast, Korean national police reported.

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## Gallows Nears End of Its Rope

By GERARD McNEIL

OTTAWA (CP) — The era of the noose all but ends in Canada today with the proclamation of a new law severely limiting capital punishment for murder. Only the deliberate slaying of a working policeman or prison official can bring a murderer to the gallows between now and Dec. 29, 1972.

That date will mark the end of a five-year trial period for the law, which won parliamentary assent after a passionate debate this fall.

### BEFORE INDICTMENT

Officials said Thursday the new law will apply in cases that haven't reached the indictment stage.

In Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Ontario, this stage is reached when a case goes before a



Convict Chevalier

grand jury. In other provinces and the territories, it occurs when a crown attorney signs an indictment form.

The outgoing law, by which death is the mandatory sentence for deliberate murder, will be applied in cases that have gone beyond the indictment stage.

### TURPIN HANGED

Altogether 701 persons have been hanged for murder since 1867. The last man refused mercy by the cabinet was Ronald Turpin, executed in Toronto Dec. 11, 1962 for the murder of a policeman.

The present Liberal government took office six months after the Turpin execution and has commuted all 28 death sentences to come before it since April, 1963.

The group includes Georges  
Continued on Page 7



## 'Purely Private' U.S. Visit

## Pearson, Rusk Dine

## Ignorance in U.S. Bliss for Canada

TORONTO (CP)—A Canadian specialist in international affairs Thursday thanked the United States for its ignorance of Canadian affairs and asked it to continue ignoring Canada.

John Holmes, director of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs, told 200 members of the American Historical Association that if U.S. students knew more about Canada, serious problems might arise.

They would come to Canada in droves to straighten out Canadian neuroses and problems.

If the U.S. wants to help unite Canada, Holmes said, it would achieve greater success by threatening Canada rather than studying it.

WASHINGTON (CP) — Prime Minister Pearson and Mrs. Pearson flew into a murky Washington Thursday for an overnight stay billed as purely private. He was to leave today for a Florida vacation.

Chief function on his agenda here was a private dinner at the residence of Canadian Ambassador A. E. Ritchie, described by the ambassador as "quite genuinely personal and very informal."

### DINNER GUESTS

It was learned that guests at the dinner included Secretary of State Dean Rusk, William Bundy, the state department's chief Asian expert; Walt Rostow, key White House aide, and Rufus Smith, head of the state department's Canadian section. But it was understood the prime minister also hoped to see old acquaintances, including James (Scotty) Reston, associate editor and Washington columnist of the New York Times, and former state secretary Dean Acheson.

Other guests were identified only as personal friends of the prime minister or those deeply involved in Canada-U.S. mutual interests.

### BUSINESS LATER?

The fact the dinner was informal and wives were present indicated any major policy exchanges would be likely confined to the brandy-and-cigars period after dinner.

The chief international topic here now with a Canadian angle is the Vietnamese war as it affects "hot pursuit" by American and South Vietnamese forces of Communist forces based in sanctuaries established in Cambodia.

### PRINCE'S WARNING

Cambodia's Prince Sihanouk has given a qualified warning he will call in Soviet or Chinese volunteers if border crossings in strength are made. He has also asked the Canada-India-Poland International Truce Commission to strengthen supervision of the border. Canada has agreed but Poland is not accepting the proposition.

The Canadian embassy declined to name just who was at the dinner or to allow photographers inside the residence beforehand.

This is the prime minister's first visit to Washington—and likely his last as prime minister—since January, 1965.

## Who Needs Snow For Fun?

As far as nine-year-old Tommy Hancock of Jacksonville, Fla., is concerned, snow isn't only basic ingredient for tobogganing. His recipe for fun on slide is cardboard carton and greasy slope alongside neighborhood freeway. Those provide him with plenty of excitement on sunny day.—(AP)

## No Ottawa Word, Athens Fete Off

ATHENS (AP) — A Canadian embassy reception scheduled for today was cancelled Thursday because the ambassador

had not received word yet from his government whether to recognize the Greek regime. (See also Page 9.)

Since King Constantine went into exile in Italy after his abortive counter-coup against the military junta Dec. 13, members of the Athens diplomatic corps have declined invitations to attend government functions for fear it might be interpreted as official recognition.

### EXPO INVITATIONS

The Canadian embassy sent out invitations to members of the ruling junta prior to Dec. 13 for a reception marking Expo 67, the world's fair held in Montreal this summer.

A regent, Lt.-Gen. George Zotiakis, was appointed several hours before the king fled the country. He has so far not received any invitations to embassy receptions.

The real test whether the foreign powers will snub the regime comes New Year's Day.

### ROYAL GREETINGS

Traditional religious services are held at the Athens Orthodox Cathedral where members of the diplomatic corps attend to greet the Royal Family. Most, if not all, Athens envoys have not received instructions from their governments whether to appear.

### 1,100-Miles in Fact

## It's Long Way To Nowhere

VANCOUVER (CP) — For five passengers, it was an 1,100-mile flight to nowhere. The five were bound

Wednesday for Prince Rupert from Vancouver aboard a Canadian Pacific Airlines flight. But Prince Rupert Airport was socked in by low cloud and fog. The plane flew to Smithers in north central British Columbia. But before it arrived that airport also was closed.

It finally landed at Prince George and CPA told its passengers it would take them west to Smithers and Terrace by bus. At the same time it warned the five that the highway beyond Smithers was likely blocked by snow.

The five elected to fly back to Vancouver.

CPA said that only one of the five booked for a flight to Prince Rupert to try again.

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## They Call It Holidays, but . . .

## Big 10 Probing

By DAVE McINTOSH

OTTAWA (CP) — Only a corporal's guard turned out for Wednesday's cabinet meeting. Some 10 cabinet ministers are expected to run for the Liberal leadership and most

of them are allegedly on holiday inhaling vigor for the campaign ahead.

But it's a busman's holiday for some to them. They are busy taking political samplings among convention delegates in their home ridings

and elsewhere to try to determine their voting strength, if any.

Then, as one potential candidate put it: "We lie awake at night weeding out the bad

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## Worst to Come

# U.S. PILE OF GOLD SHRINKS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. government reported Thursday the biggest drop in the American gold supply in 15 months during November—\$74,000,000—but a much larger drop is in store this month because of the recent European gold rush.

The November figure reflects only a small part of the outflow of U.S. gold which followed devaluation of the British pound Nov. 18.

Officials said November sales on the London market, where speculative buying was heavy the latter half of the month, will be reflected in December figures to be published in January.

The United States, part of a seven-nation pool, now supplies 59 per cent of all gold sold on the London market.

### CONVERSION

Algeria's conversion into gold of about \$150,000,000 also came in December as did the purchase by the United States of \$100,000,000 in gold from Canada.

At the same time Thursday, the Federal Reserve Board reported a big increase in U.S. holdings of foreign currencies, indicating another reaction to the British devaluation.

Bulk of the increase was reported to be in pounds and Swiss francs and came through the expanded swap network, a borrowing arrangement the board has with 14 foreign central banks and the Bank for International Settlements in Switzerland.

### TO SPECIAL FUND

Early this month, the treasury department announced the movement of \$475,000,000 in gold from its stock to a special fund—the Exchange Stabilization Fund—from which sales are made.

The Federal Reserve said the gold drain in November reduced the U.S. total at the end of the month to \$12,965,000,000, lowest since 1937.

### Harnesses

## Safety Boosts Prices

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp. Thursday became the first U.S. car maker to announce a price increase to cover the cost of front-seat shoulder harnesses, required by federal law on new cars after Monday.

The firm said that starting with shipments Monday all cars will have the shoulder harnesses and the price of the harnesses as an option, now \$22 on most models, will become part of the list price.

It said the harness costs \$22 on all models except the Buick Electra and Buick Riviera and Oldsmobile 98, where it costs \$25, and the Cadillac, where it costs \$30.

### INCREASE SILENCE

A GM spokesman declined to say whether the company was planning a second general price increase on its 1968 models to cover new increases in the cost of labor and steel which became effective after the first prices were announced in September.

Spokesmen for Ford and Chrysler declined comment on any possible price increase.



## But They're Shipshape

Parking problems aren't only confined to big city streets. Aircraft maintenance man, centre, finds space scarce as he works on one of parked planes crowding flight deck of aircraft carrier USS Ranger. Ship is on duty at Yankee Station in Gulf of Tonkin.—(AP)

### Peking Optimistic

## Big Red Gains Seen in Laos

From UPI

Peking Radio declared Friday that communist forces in Laos made big political and military gains during 1967 and predicted they would do even better in the year to come.

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## Cong Leader In France

TOKYO (UPI) — Radio Hanoi said Thursday Viet Cong leader Nguyen Van Mien has been in France since Dec. 13 but gave no indication whether he met Foreign Minister Tran Van Do of South Vietnam who spent a day in Paris this week.

## Mission Closed

LONDON (UPI)—Cambodia is closing her diplomatic mission in London because of Britain's refusal to recognize a "serious diplomatic effort" to find an "amicable settlement" to the sanctuary problem.

It stated: "Should U.S. imperialism dare to carry its war of aggression to Cambodia, the 700,000,000 Chinese people will certainly give all-out support to the Cambodian people to completely smash the U.S. imperialist aggression."

In Washington, the state department said Thursday the United States was informing "interested governments," presumably including the Soviet Union, of Communist activities in Cambodia and Laos.

A state department spokesman said the U.S. has launched a "serious diplomatic effort" to find an "amicable settlement" to the sanctuary problem.



# Province Accused of Delaying Sewers

**QUALICUM BEACH** — The Chamber of Commerce has told the last meeting of village council that lack of sewers in Qualicum Beach is restricting the growth of the village. The chamber urged council to continue its efforts to secure approval for the project as soon as possible. Council intends to tell the chamber the sewer program is being held up by the provincial government, due to the present inflationary period and the accompanying high interest rate.

**UNION BAY** — Sixty families, including 76 children and 15 babies, from Courtenay, Comox, Cumberland, Oyster River and Union Bay, attended the annual Christmas party in the community hall. Files of presents were heaped under the lighted Christmas tree, and children provided much of the entertainment with carol singing.

**DUNCAN** — Former Saskatchewan wheat farmer, Leslie Campbell Wilson, has died in

Cowichan District Hospital, aged 76. Services were held Thursday at 1 p.m. Mr. Wilson was born in Cornwall, Ont., later going to farm at Spiritwood, Sask. He had lived in the district for the past 21 years.

**QUALICUM BEACH** — School trustees in the district will receive salary raises ranging from \$350 to \$1,000 a year following an arbitration award amounting to \$41,085, or 7.73 per cent over the 1966 payroll.

**CHEMAMUS** — R. H. Walton of Crofton was presented with the B.C. Hydro Authority prize for his outstanding display of Christmas lighting.

Runner-up for the prize was Dr. Gordon Heydon of Chemamus. Second in the Crofton area was William Durrell and second at Chemamus was J. H. Dobbs. In the Saltair area the highest points were gathered by Gordon Crawford.

Mrs. Irene Stanton of Chemamus had the best decorated

door, and Mrs. D. L. Baird, also of Chemamus, had the best decorated window.

Winner in the best garden scene category was P. S. R. Carnac.

The Christmas lighting contest was sponsored by the Chemamus and Crofton District Chamber of Commerce and judges were North Cowichan Reeve Donald Morton, W. C. Smith of the Saltair Recreation Commission, Charles Metherell of the Chemamus Rotary Club and Mrs. Robert Mellalieu and Ed Jobe of the Crofton Community Centre.

**DUNCAN** — A new slate of Duncan-Cowichan Chamber of Commerce directors will be installed at a banquet Jan. 27 in the Commercial Hotel. Entertainment will be provided by Victoria singer Irene Henderson.

**PORT ALBERNI** — A coroner's inquiry will be held into the death of a 23-year-old Port Alberni man Wednesday morning. The man died from gunshot wounds. RCMP said they do not suspect foul play.

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## Around the Island

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# Gallows Near End of Rope

Marotte, who machine-gunned two policemen to death in Montreal three days after the Turpin execution, and Reginald Colpitts, who stabbed a prison guard to death in Dorchester Penitentiary.

**COMMITTED SUICIDE**

Colpitts committed suicide in November while serving a life sentence in British Columbia Penitentiary. Marotte is serving life at St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary near Montreal.

A latest commutation came Thursday with the announcement that Roger Chevalier's death sentence for a night-club murder in Montreal has been reduced to life.

That leaves 16 men still on death row, none for the slaying of a prison guard or a police-

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man. This makes commutation of their sentences likely, in view of government policy and the spirit of the new law.

**WON OVER ENOUGH**

An unsuccessful attempt at total abolition was made in the Commons in April, 1966. The compromise bill this fall won over enough MPs to pass.

Scotiard-General Pennell noted during the debate that a murderer serving a life term must spend at least 10 years in prison before parole is considered.

Even if the National Parole Board recommends parole, the federal cabinet must approve the recommendation.

Mr. Pennell, a staunch abolitionist, also noted that a number of paroled murderers are leading quiet, useful lives.

**DOZEN WOMEN**

The 701 to die on the gallows since Confederation have included a dozen women, one in her 60s, no less than 21 teenagers in the 1920-67 period alone, and historic figures such as Louis Riel and Patrick Whelan.

Whelan was publicly hanged in Ottawa for the murder of D'Arcy McGee, a Father of Confederation. Hundreds of others were sentenced to die but allowed mercy, giving an erratic effect

to the application of the penalty. Meanwhile, the number of capital offences steadily diminished. Men hanged a century ago for impromptu killings in tavern brawls probably would have been charged with manslaughter today.

Rape was struck off the list of capital offences in the 1950s and in 1961 Parliament distinguished between capital, or deliberate, and non-capital, or unpremeditated, murder.

Although the new law was introduced as a compromise move toward abolition of the death penalty, some critics have said that it may re-activate the

## Policemen Ousted For Klan Duties

**CHICAGO (AP)** — An investigation of the membership of Chicago policemen in the Ku Klux Klan resulted Thursday in the resignation of two policemen and another being excused from duty.

Police Supt. James B. Conlisk Jr. announced at a press conference that four other policemen were being questioned, but he refused to identify them.

He said policeman Donald Heath of the Fillmore district was released from duty. Richard Stanton, also of the Fillmore district, and Dennis Aloia of the Austin district resigned. Stanton submitted his resignation Thursday morning. Aloia resigned as Conlisk was holding the conference that announced the police investigation.

### What Makes the Perfect Husband?

Are women impressed by their husbands' ability to make money? Should a good husband be able to diaper a baby? How important are good looks? In January Reader's Digest a one-man survey on what goes to make a good husband turns up the answers that may provide hope for insecure males. Learn why not one unmarried woman surveyed felt that a good husband had to be rich! Why was intelligence the main quality every woman demanded? Get all the answers to the 'perfect husband' question in January Reader's Digest now on sale.

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## Big Ten

sampleings and convincing ourselves we can win anyway."

A few cabinet ministers are expected to announce their candidacies in the next few days.

The others who are going to run may delay as long as mid-January.

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Ministers who will or may run are: Finance Minister Sharp, External Affairs Minister Martin, Transport Minister Hellyer, Health Minister MacEachen, Registrar-General Turner, Trade Minister Winters, Agriculture Minister Greene, State Secretary LaMarsh, Manpower Minister Marchand and Justice Minister Trudeau.

There is naturally a lot of predicting here on the outcome but wagers to back up predictions are meagre indeed.

The April 4-6 leadership convention here promises to be the first real contest the Liberals have had in 40 years. Louis St. Laurent was a shoo-in in 1948 and Lester Bowles Pearson an even easier winner — over Martin — in 1958.

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In such a close contest as the approaching one, every move, no matter how large or small, can count heavily, as the Conservative campaign last fall demonstrated.

And one of these moves is the timing of the announcement of candidacy. Premier Duff Roblin of Manitoba announced last in the Conservative race and ran second. Premier Robert Stanfield of Nova Scotia announced next to last and finished first.

The objective of Liberal candidates is exactly the same as Stanfield's was: To reach peak strength on voting day, not a week, or a day, or even a few hours before.

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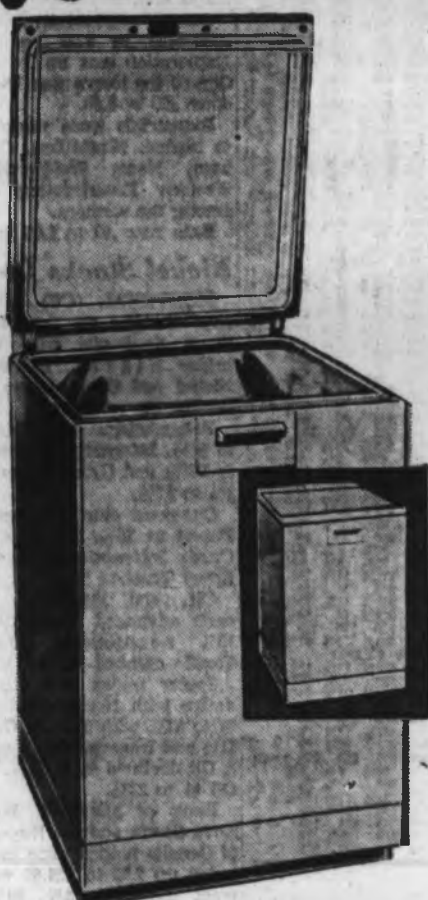
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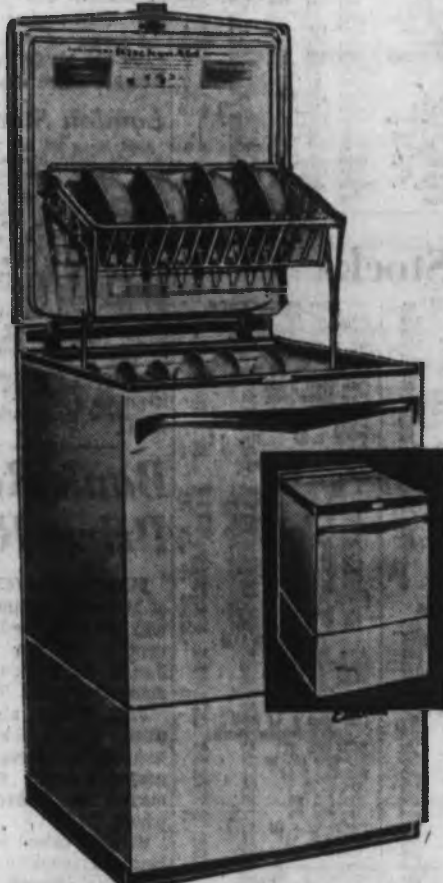
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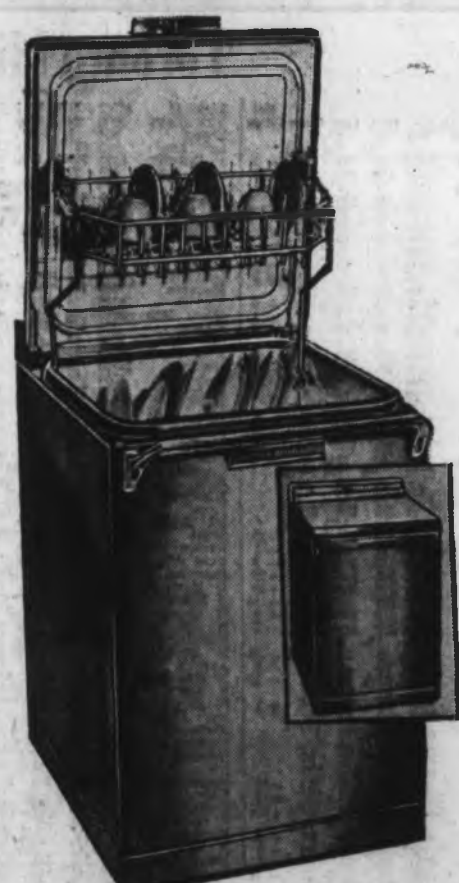
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# Price, Wage Restraints 'Voluntary'

OTTAWA (CP) — A federal spokesman Thursday denied a Montreal press report that labor and industry will be asked to accept a 5-per-cent limit on wage and price increases in 1968.

The spokesman said the finance department is developing an approach to a program of "voluntary restraints," but it will not be delivered in terms of percentage guidelines.

The reaction was delivered in the form of a written statement after the report appeared in Thursday's edition of the Montreal Gazette.

The newspaper said implementing the guidelines policy is regarded as "difficult and perilous" for the cabinet.

The official denial said it would be premature to disclose details of proposals still to be placed before ministers. A good deal of work already has been done at the direction of Finance Minister Sharp.

The statement referred to Mr. Sharp's Nov. 30 budget speech, which said public opinion will be mobilized behind a voluntary program of restraint to bring about a reduction in the present high rate of increase in prices and costs, including wages.

The finance minister said this should be done after Parliament had done its part to restrain federal spending and to impose taxes necessary to finance expenditures in a non-inflationary way.

## Fire Damages Rail Bridge

EVERETT, Wash. (AP) — Great Northern Railway trains will be forced to detour around the fire-damaged approach to the Rock Island bridge over the Columbia River, 10 miles east of Wenatchee, Wash., for another week or 10 days, a spokesman said Thursday.

The railway will provide bus service across central Washington in the interim to take passengers to and from temporary Great Northern stops along the northern Pacific and Spokane, Portland and Seattle rights-of-way.

Meanwhile, GN trains operated Thursday over a single track at the scene of a mud slide 1½ miles south of Everett.

Repairs on the second mainline track, which was ripped out in the slide Wednesday morning, were not expected to be completed before Saturday.

The Douglas County sheriff's office, meanwhile, was holding five teenagers without charge in connection with Wednesday's bridge fire near Wenatchee.

A railway spokesman said he anticipated charges would be filed today.

The spokesman said that used railroad flares were gathered, put in a pile on the line's creosote-coated ties and then set afire. The fire burned 240 feet of the bridge approach and caused some steel girders on the bridge itself to buckle.

The swollen, muddy Snohomish River, which crested two days ago at a near-record 30.7 feet, dropped below flood stage today. Army engineers said the danger was over.

Repairs, mop-up and counting the damage lay ahead.

## Machines Stop Big Streak

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Annie Clarke of Vancouver apparently is betting about even on the slot machines since her \$13,750 win earlier this week, a casino official said Thursday.

The dress shop owner won the money in 10 hours of cranking at Nevada's first two \$5 slot machines.

"She's put some back in since Monday night," said Darl Voss, a Harolds Club official. "But she has hit a couple more jackpots too."

"They were the little ones, but when I say little they're not so little—they were the \$750 ones. So she's probably still about even. But it's hard to tell."

Voss said the only one who would know for certain is Mrs. Clarke, and she wasn't immediately available.

Mrs. Clarke said in an interview after her big jackpots that she turned to dressmaking after a professional stage career which included a stint as a Ziegfeld Follies girl.

In addition to the \$13,750, Mrs. Clarke said she has \$12,000 in Harolds Club money in a bank at home marked "Reno money."

## Home Help Pledged By Premier

KELOWNA (CP) — Premier Bennett has outlined plans for what he terms a three-pronged attack by his Social Credit government on housing problems.

"I can't say too much before the budget is brought down in February," he said in an interview Wednesday, "but we will be trying to combat housing with low rent for elderly people and more home-owner housing."

A new policy will be to encourage more people to build their homes.

"We are going to try to involve municipal, provincial and federal governments to establish low or moderate rental housing."

Mr. Bennett said telephone tolls will be eliminated and rates generally reduced for Okanagan Telephone Co. subscribers in April or May.

He said it will cost the company about \$100,000 to eliminate the tolls from neighboring areas and to bring in the new rates.

## Robbery Loss Now \$403,907

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio (AP) — Authorities investigating an armored truck robbery in nearby Boardman said Thursday revised figures show there was \$403,907 in the vehicle when it was stolen from in front of a department store.

Boardman Police Chief Don Hawkins said an audit completed late Thursday showed the robbers escaped with \$364,541.59, including \$47,062.62 in cheques and \$317,478.97 in cash, mostly small-denomination bills and some coins.

It was not immediately known if the cheques were negotiable.

Hawkins said \$39,365.64 was left in the truck, found abandoned about 1½ miles away in a wooded park area a half-hour after it had been taken Wednesday. A shotgun inside the truck was missing.

The chief said he believed the thieves had "access to inside information" on operations of the Kane Street Service Co., which dispatched the armored truck.

Hawkins said Wednesday was the first day in several weeks the truck's crew had not included three men. The man eliminated in Wednesday's run was the one who had stayed in the truck body guarding the money bags with a shotgun.

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PICCADILLY SALE

STARTS TUESDAY

## Home Best Party Place

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

House parties appear to be more popular this New Year's Eve than ever before in Canada, partly because it falls on a Sunday and partly because some popular spots will be closed, forcing costs up at other establishments.

However, hotel and restaurant operators will not be at a loss for customers.

Liquor restrictions—because the night falls on a Sunday—are cited by many operators as the major problem this year.

In Ontario and Manitoba, liquor may be served until 1 a.m. but only at licensed eating establishments.

In Quebec, intoxicants and dancing will be pretty well free-flowing throughout the night, but bars must close at 12:30 a.m. Patrons will be permitted to continue festivities until 3 a.m.

Because of the bar restrictions, however, one operator in Montreal said only low-priced entertainment was being engaged.

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"You're not going to find any club in town hiring high-priced or big name talent for the night; not when you have to cut the bar off at midnight," he said.

In British Columbia, Joe Filippone, president of the B.C. Cabaret Owners Association, said that although there has been no formal announcement, the government has indicated that licensed cabarets and night clubs will be able to sell drinks from 10 p.m. New Year's Eve to about 3 a.m.

However, a spokesman for the Liquor Control Board in Vancouver said there will be no relaxations on the law forbidding selling drinks on a Sunday.

In New Brunswick, liquor may be served with meals only from 5 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Despite restrictions, most establishments across the country report solid bookings with prices ranging from about \$3 a person cover charge in Charlottetown, P.E.I., to a high of \$80 a couple for dinner and drinks reported at one place in Montreal.



## Father Rejoins Daughter

Carl Downen, Crawfordville, Ind., building contractor, joined 16-year-old daughter Janet in Price, Utah, Wednesday after she was rescued from abductors. She said two men kidnapped her at gunpoint in Crawfordville Christmas Eve. Girl was rescued unharmed Tuesday in Wellington, Utah, after service station attendant became suspicious and notified police.—(AP)

## Greek Turnabout

## Amnesties Shrink

ATHENS (AP) — The sweeping amnesty promised by the military-backed Greek government shrank even more Thursday with disclosure that leftist composer Miki Theodorakis would not be freed as first announced.

This was another step back from the Dec. 23 amnesty declaration of Premier George Papadopoulos that all political prisoners taken since the April 21 coup would be freed for Christmas.

In what appeared an abrupt about-face, the top security official, Col. Ioannis Ladas, leader of the hard-line faction in the ruling junta, contradicted Papadopoulos on Christmas Day. He said 2,600 persons exiled to two prison islands are not affected by the amnesty and only about 300 persons would be freed.

A law published Thursday had been expected to provide for Theodorakis' release. But it provided reprieves only for persons convicted no more than twice for seditious activities and sentenced to not more than six months imprisonment each time.

vision and in the Soviet press the Vietnam war.

A member of the diplomatic community in Moscow reported Wednesday the four were "fed up with Russia" and anxious to get to Sweden.

## Four U.S. Sailors

## Asylum in Sweden

STOCKHOLM (AP) — Four American sailors who deserted and fled to Moscow to protest the Vietnam war will ask for political asylum in Sweden, the Swedish Committee for Vietnam announced Thursday.

It said the Americans will arrive early Friday on a regular flight from Moscow.

The Americans — Richard D. Bailey, 19, John M. Berilla, 20, Craig W. Anderson, 20, and Michael A. Lindner, 19 — deserted their ship in Yokosuka, Japan, and were taken to Moscow six weeks ago. In Moscow they have protested on tele-

## Former Dean Dies at 45

A former dean of Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, died in Calgary Wednesday.

He was the Very Rev. Spencer Hayward Elliott who was installed as dean and rector of Christ Church Cathedral on May 1, 1938, and left 10 years later to become professor of systematic theology at St. John's Theological College, Winnipeg.

Dean Elliott was 84 when he died.

Born in England, he was ordained in 1907 and had his first curacy in Leeds. He later became diocesan minister of Manchester and Sheffield.

A prominent broadcaster on church affairs and a canon of the Anglican church in Calgary since 1960, he was the author of a number of books.

Dean Elliott was associated with hospital and education boards, literary societies, school, the YMCA movement and Rotary International.

In the early days of the Boy Scout movement, he was the first commanding officer in the city of Leeds. He was also an honorary canon of the cathedrals of Sheffield, Southwell, Manchester and Liverpool.

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The new Bonds are authorized pursuant to an Act of the Parliament of Canada and both principal and interest are a charge on the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

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### Take That, Toronto

Nanaimo is a blooming funny place, just ask any visitor from the chilly east. As the new year rolls in, roses continue to bloom in Bowen Park, here caught by the roving mid-winter camera of Agnes Flett.

### Port Alberni

## Galliford Going After 21 Years

PORT ALBERNI—One of the valley's best known businessmen will retire this week when Dave Galliford turns his Somass drug store over to the young man who has been associated with him for more than three years.

### Hot Product Barges In

The \$1,500,000 newsprint barge for MacMillan Bloedel which caught fire in early September while under construction at Yarrows Ltd. will be delivered to its owner today, Yarrows general manager John Wallace said Thursday.

The fire, which took one life, delayed completion of the barge from Sept. 15 and caused \$350,000 damage.

Mr. Wallace said the barge would probably be put into service at Port Alberni early in January.

## Nanaimo Next For CBC

NANAIMO — Perhaps the CBC was a little hard on the Alberni Valley recently with its Young in a Small Town program. Well, it's going to make it up to Vancouver Island with a New Year's hour to Nanaimo.

The CBC radio network is planning a live New Year's Eve broadcast, starting at 7 p.m. in Newfoundland, and moving gradually across the country.

The program will end around midnight in Nanaimo, at the Pioneer's Ball. Special guest will be Mayor-elect Frank Ney, originator of the Great Centennial Bathing Race.

In its latest findings and reviews, the CBC mentions the two top centennial events in Canada as being Expo and the tub race across Georgia Strait, which attracted 214 entries.

No fewer than six radio and television programs on the CBC will be broadcast around New Year's.

They include news review spots and an 8 p.m. show on Channels 2 and 6 on Monday, New Year's Day.

Max Ferguson, better known as Rawhide, will commentate one of the half-dozen shows.

### Burglars At Work

CHEMAINUS—Burglars have been very active during the holiday period in the Chemainus and Crofton areas.

They succeeded in stealing cash ranging from as little as \$1.60 at the Crofton BA station, to \$150 at the Horseshoe Bay Inn, Chemainus.

They took between \$6 and \$8 cash from Chemainus Hardware and escaped from Crofton fire hall with \$6 and three bottles of liquor.

Burglars were interrupted from gaining access to the Chemainus Legion building while taking the hinges off a door.

## Alberni Unions Blast Sharp

# What About the Worker?

PORT ALBERNI — The Alberni and District Labor Council is no happier with Finance Minister Mitchell Sharp's reply to its letter of protest than it was about the tax changes which prompted it.

Secretary Maurice Corbell said the council received a reply to the Nov. 15 letter which the council wrote protesting the proposed tax increases, and urging implementation of the Carter Report.

"All the reply does is make excuses for the tax increases," Mr. Corbell said.

### Drink, Smoke

"Sharp's letter says 'You will have noticed from reports in the press that the necessary additional revenue is to be obtained from corporations, increased taxes on alcohol and tobacco and a surtax on individual income tax.'"

But Mr. Corbell said: "It does not appear to us that corporations are being taxed more, and it is all very well for Sharp to say in his letter surtax does not apply to those on very small incomes, and is being kept relatively low for those

whose income is under the \$5,000 level.

"But today a man needs to earn \$7,500 a year before he can even buy a house."

Mr. Sharp's letter to the labor council gave examples of the projected increase, showing a single taxpayer with no dependents and \$5,000 income would pay \$2.05 more a month.

A married man with two dependents and the same income would pay 84 cents more per month.

"Mr. Sharp's budget only compounds the inequities found by the Carter Commission Report," the labor council statement claimed.

"The higher sales tax falls more heavily on the poor than on the rich," the council contends.

### Hard Boo

"The average citizen may not buy as much liquor or tobacco, but the increase is harder for him to take," Mr. Corbell said. "Meantime, capital gains remain untaxed and the exemptions for the low income groups hardly vary."

"However for the rich and the very rich, a special tax ceiling is provided for those with incomes in excess of \$50,000," Mr. Corbell asserted. "The whole burden of increase is on the average citizen, while corporations pay no increased taxes."



Sharp



Pat helps Pat

—Agnes Flett photo

## Look Pat, Look—Learn Pat, Learn

Story and photo:  
By AGNES FLETT

DUNCAN — There are very few students doing daily homework in the Christmas holidays, but at the Cowichan reserve there is at least one enthusiastic student, Pat Charlie, 74.

Pat passed into Grade 2 at Christmas, after beginning Grade 1 in September.

He is attending an Indian adult education course at the Mount Prevost Junior Secondary School near Duncan, sponsored by the Cowichan band, with the help of the Indian Affairs Department and the school district.

When asked why he is working so hard during the holidays, Pat replied, "So I won't forget all I learned before Christmas."

The class is for Indians only. Pat is a grandfather as well as an enthusiastic pupil.

He said when he thought back 60 years he realized he wanted to go to school then, but couldn't.

His father was a fisherman and a logger and he needed help from young Pat.

"We worked all the time and there were no spare days for me to attend school," he said.

Mr. Charlie said "As long as I live I'm going to attend school."

He would not venture to say how far he planned to go in school, only that he would continue to attend as long as he lives.

Pat said his grandchildren are a big help to him when doing his homework, especially his eldest granddaughter, Patricia, one of his many relatives who lives with him. She is in Grade 5.

Among the others are his married daughter Margaret and her husband.

This means that he is never without someone to help him with his reading, writing or arithmetic problems.

### Charlie Won't Forget

Grandpa said he hopes he will be an example to his grandchildren. "I hope R keeps them attending school, I'd hate any of them to be dropouts," he said. "After all, I was never a dropout, I never dropped in!"

His grandchildren had to agree with him, it wasn't his fault that he never had the opportunity to attend school.

Thinking back deeply, Pat told how he was given the job of greasing skids for the logs on the skidroads near Cobble Hill, and how the logs were pulled by oxen.

He remembered how "awful heavy" those big buckets of grease were, and that he had to carry them all day.

"Sometimes I worked 12-14 hours a day greasing the skids. Later I was a whistler punk in the woods, with a little steam donkey."

"Of course every year I went with Dad to the fishing grounds for two or three months. When fishing was over, back I went to the woods."

When he was older Mr. Charlie found a steady job — as a logger.

He started near Chemainus 45 years ago, and only retired two years ago.

"I didn't want to quit, but the company made me, I was 72 and they said it was against all regulations to work at that age. I had to retire, so I went to school."

"It's a lot harder than longshoring."

### Tight Money Halts Sewers For Qualicum Village, See Details on Page 7

## Woman Saved From Flames

A 49-year-old Victoria woman is in fairly good condition in hospital after being pulled unconscious from a smoke-filled apartment Thursday night.

Mrs. Muriel Pattie suffered smoke asphyxiation when a couch caught fire at 6:30 p.m. in her apartment at 356 Simcoe.

Firemen said they suspect the fire broke out after she fell asleep while smoking a cigarette.

Damage to the three-room suite was estimated at \$200.

There are 11 persons living in the six-apartment building. Firemen said they found the door locked and were forced to kick it in. They found Mrs. Pattie unconscious on the couch.

She regained consciousness after being rushed by the Victoria Fire Department ambulance to St. Joseph's Hospital.

"She was in pretty rough shape," a fireman said at the scene.



Oyen and friend

### Oyen's Crawlers Live

## Good Reptilutation

By KLAUS MUENTER

DUNCAN — The Cowichan Valley climate is good for reptiles who grow old with ease under the careful hands of Jim Oyen, Duncan zoo owner and operator.

Mr. Oyen was given a pat on the back by the curator for reptiles at the San Diego Zoo, Charles E. Shaw.

Mr. Shaw is also assistant director of the San Diego Zoo which has one of the largest reptile collections in the world.

Mr. Shaw recently told Mr. Oyen "I certainly envy you your records with the chameleons that usually go for two years."

"This is really exceptional in any collection, most of them living just a matter of months before dying."

The chameleons at the Duncan zoo by far attained a record, according to the San Diego expert.

They are nine years old and still going strong.

He and his wife, Tosca, staged a reptile zoo in the Glenora area in 1959, but

several years ago the zoo was relocated opposite the Duncan early 1950's soon made their zoo golf course south of the city and one of the main attractions in the couple, who immigrated to the Cowichan Valley.



Williams

### Island Scene

The managing director of the Cowichan Valley Forest Museum, Gerald Weiburn, has been presented with a centennial medal for his outstanding contribution to Canada and the Valley and for making the museum possible . . . A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee, Fullford. He has been named Patrick Michael Lee. He weighed 5 pounds 4½ ounces at birth. The infant was born before Christmas. "We had all been hoping for a special Christmas present," said Mrs. Lee . . . Sid Williams, also known as Century Sam, played Santa Claus at a recent Courtenay city council meeting, presenting gifts to aldermen . . . Chairman of the Alberni regional district, Charles Blair, recently won election to the first enlarged Port Alberni council . . . Several Union Bay residents are in hospital. Among them are Johnny Aitken, Paul Bohn, Jim Dalziel and Tom McDonald in St. Joseph's, Comox . . . Harold Bonsall has retired from the Chemainus sawmill division of MacMillan Boedel after 17 years service . . . Mrs. Grace Burrows is president of the Lake Cowichan Legion auxiliary, and Mrs. Richard Hurst is vice-president . . . Top dog in the Alberni Valley Kennel Club's latest obedience class was Buster, a Chesapeake Retriever, owned by Jake Horst of Beaver Creek. He scored 187 points out of a possible 200.



Blair

### Black Plague

Spring breakup came a bit early this year. Heavy frost in mid-December was chopped short by snowfall. The freak conditions had rough effect on pavement in Nanaimo area. This Westwood Road stretch shows the extent of the problem.





### Paneful Job Ahead

People who live in glass houses have a problem if they have to take down a nearby chimney—for example, 167-foot stack of old Empress Hotel power plant and laundry, hard by Crystal Garden. Chimney is soon to be torn down, but contractor still hasn't decided exact method. His most likely system, he says, will be a wrecking ball and crane, \$300,000 insurance, and lots of caution.—(Jim Ryan)

### Blakeney Inspiration Won't Die

## Loss to Handicapped —And to All Victoria

Numerous tributes were paid Wednesday to Fred Blakeney, champion of the handicapped, who died Tuesday in the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

"The passing of Fred Blakeney is a great loss to the community and particularly to the handicapped," said Health Minister Wesley Black.

"During my years in office I came to know Mr. Blakeney well and, despite his own handicap he worked tirelessly for the benefit of others. Words cannot express our regret in the passing of such a man, but his work will live on and will remain a part of our memories for many years to come."

Mayor Hugh Stephen said, "The passing of Fred Blakeney has removed from among us one of the true heroes of our city."

"Under circumstances of physical handicap which would have left most of us spiritually prostrate, Fred rose gloriously triumphant. Not only did he manage to shape his own life into one of personal achievement but he carried others along with him and brought hope and fulfillment to many less afflicted than himself."

Mr. Blakeney established the Victoria branch of Goodwill Enterprises for the handicapped.

"The true measure of his accomplishment is in the assurance he has left us that human will and resolution can overcome the blackest reaches of despair, and that to the dauntless in spirit there is no such word as failure," said the mayor.

"Victoria mourns a great citizen, but we are immensely

richer for the personal example he has left us."

George A. Gray, president-treasurer of Goodwill Enterprises, said, "It was Fred's shining courage and initiative that brought Goodwill Enterprises into being; his shining personal example inspired so many, and set the pattern for all the many private victories over disablement that Goodwill's handicapped people have achieved over the years."

Robert Dudley, manager and director of rehabilitation at

Goodwill, recalled, "It was only a few days ago we listened to Fred Blakeney's inspiring and very cheerful Christmas message, especially recorded at his bedside for our annual Goodwill Christmas party. Now Fred's always-encouraging voice is stilled."

"Yet his spirit will live on here at Goodwill..."

Funeral service will be at 1:15 p.m. Friday at McCall's. The Goodwill centre will be closed Friday in memory of Mr. Blakeney.

## Savage Will Race As Tory Candidate

A native Victorian announced Wednesday he will contest the Progressive Conservative candidacy for Victoria.

Victoria alderman-elect Clyde Savage, announcing his intention to stand for candidate in the nomination meeting Jan. 22, said:

"We need businessmen in Ottawa who will insist on common-sense administration, men who can make a decision with firmness and stand by that decision."

The son of the late Harry Savage, former president of the Victoria Conservative Association, said he was aware of the need for "capable representation in Ottawa to act for the western province

of B.C., and particularly the city of Victoria."

A pharmacist by profession, and recently elected to his second term as alderman, Mr. Savage has a long record of community service, and has decided, he said, "to commit my years as a businessman, civic official and Chamber of Commerce representative, to be of assistance to the people of Victoria in the federal field."

Mr. Savage said the three most pressing problems facing the nation were national unity, labor-management relations and the need for financial adjustments.

Mr. Savage also advocates discipline and restraint in government expenditure at all

levels; determination of priorities, co-ordination and timing of social security outlays, commensurate with the economy; government participation with private groups in vigorous tourist promotion, and increased and more continuous flow of desirable immigrants.

Chairman of the civic and public affairs committee of the Chamber of Commerce and the Industrial Research Commission, he is a director of the Gorge Road Hospital, Community Chest, Vancouver Island Publicity Bureau and the Victoria Visitor's Bureau. Born in Victoria in 1908, Mr. Savage is married, with one son, Alan, living in Vancouver, and a daughter, Susan, at home.

### \$100,000 Gift

## Gorge Wing Top Choice

The \$100,000 gift of a Victoria woman may be used to build a new wing on Gorge Road Hospital, the Cosmopolitan Club's regional governor said Wednesday.

"We have had knowledge the gift was to be made," said the club's regional governor, Arthur Hillsden, "and have been working for a year on plans to use the money to best advantage."

Mr. Hillsden said the club seriously contemplated using the money, donated by Mrs. Elise Fielding for the treatment of victims of multiple sclerosis, to add a wing to the Gorge Road Hospital.

"Mrs. Fielding was a patient there, and so was I," Mr. Hillsden said, "and the treatment there is wonderful."

He said club members felt the gift would serve to best advantage there, since the hospital has therapists, administrators and other staff, and is well established.

"We had thought about the possibility of buying a private hospital—there are plenty of them for sale—but that would run about \$750,000 and probably be more than we could handle."

Mr. Hillsden said he was not sure what help could be expected from the provincial government in either venture, although "I am sure the provincial government would have to be consulted on such a plan as an addition to the Gorge."

"Such a plan would not be restricted to helping the multiple sclerosis patients, either, and is definitely the one that has had our most favorable consideration."

Mrs. Fielding is the woman who donated \$4,500 toward purchase of a Cosmo bus last year—a specially altered vehicle capable of carrying six passengers in wheelchairs and two seated.

Mr. Hillsden said the club expected it would be at least two months before a final decision on the allotment of the \$100,000 could be made.

About 150 of the Island's 200 multiple sclerosis victims live in Victoria. Some are able to hold jobs, but many are in private hospitals or confined to bed or a wheelchair at home.

### For Inauguration

## Stephen Looks To Future

Mayor Hugh Stephen said Wednesday he will stress targets and objectives for Victoria in his inaugural address Jan. 8.

This policy will be a departure from that usually followed by city mayors who list past accomplishments rather than make future projections.

"This year I intend to try something new," the mayor said. "I shall naturally refer to past accomplishments, but the main tenor of my address will be what we hope to achieve in the next year. I think the people should be told early in the year just where we are going."

The annual civic swearing-in ceremony will be held in the Victoria Law Courts on the morning of Jan. 3. The mayor's address will be made on inauguration day.

In addition to the mayor, aldermen-elect Lily Wilson, Ian Stewart, Robert Baird and Clyde Savage will take the oath. Mr. Justice R. A. B. Wootton of the B.C. Supreme Court will preside.

### Cardiac Gear for Hospitals

## Lives Cost So Little

The lives of about 80 Greater Victoria men and women can be saved this year — for a price.

That price is \$7,000, which the Victoria Kiwanis Club needs to complete a fund-raising drive to buy cardiac equipment for St. Joseph's and Royal Jubilee Hospitals.

Two coronary care units will be equipped early in the New Year, when the public

and provincial government have jointly contributed \$33,000, fund chairman Winton W. Sinclair said Wednesday.

"We have about \$15,000 now," said Mr. Sinclair. "When we reach \$22,000, the B.C. Hospital Insurance Service will chip in its one-third share."

"Half the people who die of coronary heart attacks could be saved with modern equip-

ment," said Mr. Sinclair. "In Greater Victoria that amounts to 80 people a year."

Equipment already ordered by the Kiwanis will monitor the heartbeats of critical heart cases and relay a warning if a heart signals trouble.

A faltering heart can also be "paced" with timed electric shocks, in the new coronary-care units.

Also to be purchased is equipment which will be used to train nurses in instant treatment of a patient suffering a renewed coronary attack.

Donations may be made to the Kiwanis Heart Equipment Fund, 221 Linden Avenue.

"It's a small price to pay for saving 80 lives a year," said Mr. Sinclair.

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## Gallows Nears End of Its Rope

By GERALD McNEIL

OTTAWA (CP) — The era of the noose all but ends in Canada today with the proclamation of a new law severely limiting capital punishment for murder.

Only the deliberate slaying of a working policeman or prison official can bring a murderer to the gallows between now and Dec. 29, 1972.

That date will mark the end of a five-year trial period for the law, which won parliamentary assent after a passionate debate this fall.

**BEFORE INDICTMENT**  
Officials said Thursday the new law will apply in cases that haven't reached the indictment stage.

In Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Ontario, this stage is reached when a case goes before a



Convict Chevalier

grand jury. In other provinces and the territories, it occurs when a crown attorney signs an indictment form.

The outgoing law, by which death is the mandatory sentence for deliberate murder, will be applied in cases that have gone beyond the indictment stage.

### TURPIN HANGED

Altogether 701 persons have been hanged for murder since 1867. The last man refused mercy by the cabinet was Ronald Turpin, executed in Toronto Dec. 11, 1962 for the murder of a policeman.

The present Liberal government took office six months after the Turpin execution and has commuted all 28 death sentences to come before it since April, 1963.

The group includes Georges  
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## 'Purely Private' U.S. Visit

## Pearson, Rusk Dine

## Ignorance in U.S. Bliss for Canada

TORONTO (CP)—A Canadian specialist in international affairs Thursday thanked the United States for its ignorance of Canadian affairs and asked it to continue ignoring Canada.

John Holmes, director of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs, told 200 members of the American Historical Association that if U.S. students knew more about Canada, serious problems might arise.

They would come to Canada in droves to straighten out Canadian neuroses and problems.

If the U.S. wants to help unite Canada, Holmes said, it would achieve greater success by threatening Canada rather than studying it.

WASHINGTON (CP) — Prime Minister Pearson and Mrs. Pearson flew into a murky Washington Thursday for an overnight stay billed as purely private. He was to leave today for a Florida vacation.

Chief function on his agenda here was a private dinner at the residence of Canadian Ambassador A. E. Ritchie, described by the ambassador as "quite genuinely personal and very informal."

### DINNER GUESTS

It was learned that guests at the dinner included Secretary of State Dean Rusk, William Bundy, the state department's chief Asian expert; Walt Rostow, key White House aide, and Rufus Smith, head of the state department's Canadian section.

But it was understood the prime minister also hoped to see old acquaintances, including James (Scotty) Reston, associate editor and Washington columnist of the New York Times, and former state secretary Dean Acheson.

Other guests were identified only as personal friends of the prime minister or those deeply involved in Canada-U.S. mutual interests.

### BUSINESS LATER?

The fact the dinner was informal and wives were present indicated any major policy exchanges would be likely confined to the brandy-and-cigars period after dinner.

The chief international topic here now with a Canadian angle is the Vietnamese war as it affects "hot pursuit" by American and South Vietnamese forces of Communist forces based in sanctuaries established in Cambodia.

### PRINCE'S WARNING

Cambodia's Prince Sihanouk has given a qualified warning he will call in Soviet or Chinese volunteers if border crossings in strength are made. He has also asked the Canada-India-Poland International Truce Commission to strengthen supervision of the border. Canada has agreed but Poland is not accepting the proposition.

The Canadian embassy declined to name just who was at the dinner or to allow photographers inside the residence beforehand.

This is the prime minister's first visit to Washington—since January, 1965.



## Who Needs Snow For Fun?

As far as nine-year-old Tommy Hancock of Jacksonville, Fla., is concerned, snow isn't only basic ingredient for tobogganing. His recipe for fun on slides is cardboard carton and greasy slop alongside neighborhood freeway. Those provide him with plenty of excitement on sunny day.—(AP)

## No Ottawa Word, Athens Fete Off

ATHENS (AP) — A Canadian embassy reception scheduled for today was cancelled Thursday because the ambassador had not received word yet from his government whether to recognize the Greek regime. (See also Page 9.)

Since King Constantine went into exile in Italy after his abortive counter-coup against the military junta Dec. 13, members of the Athens diplomatic corps have declined invitations to attend government functions for fear it might be interpreted as official recognition.

### EXPO INVITATIONS

The Canadian embassy sent out invitations to members of the ruling junta prior to Dec. 13 for a reception marking Expo 67, the world's fair held in Montreal this summer.

A regent, Lt.-Gen. George Zotiakis, was appointed several hours before the king fled the country. He has so far not received any invitations to embassy receptions.

The real test whether the foreign powers will snub the regime comes New Year's Day.

### ROYAL GREETINGS

Traditional religious services are held at the Athens Orthodox Cathedral where members of the diplomatic corps attend to greet the Royal Family. Most, if not all, Athens envoys have not received instructions from their government whether to appear.

### 1,100-Miles in Fact

## It's Long Way To Nowhere

VANCOUVER (CP) — For five passengers, it was an 1,100-mile flight to nowhere. The five were bound

Wednesday for Prince Rupert from Vancouver aboard a Canadian Pacific Airlines flight. But Prince Rupert Airport was socked in by low cloud and fog. The plane flew to Smithers in north central British Columbia. But before it arrived that airport also was closed.

It finally landed at Prince George and CPA told its passengers it would take them west to Smithers and Terrace by bus. At the same time it warned the five that the highway beyond Smithers was likely blocked by snow. The five elected to fly back to Vancouver. CPA said that only one of the five booked for a flight to Prince Rupert to try again.

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## They Call It Holidays, but . . .

## Big 10 Probing

By DAVE McINTOSH

OTTAWA (CP) — Only a corporal's guard turned out for Wednesday's cabinet meeting. Some 10 cabinet ministers are expected to run for the Liberal leadership and most

of them are allegedly on holiday inhaling vigor for the campaign ahead.

But it's a busman's holiday for some of them. They are busy taking political sampling among convention delegates in their home ridings

and elsewhere to try to determine their voting strength, if any.

Then, as one potential candidate put it: "We lie awake at night weeding out the bad." Continued on Page 1

# GOLD PILE DROPS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. government reported Thursday the biggest drop in the American gold supply in 15 months during November—\$74,000,000—but a much larger drop is in store this month because of the recent European gold rush.

The November figure reflects only a small part of the outflow of U.S. gold which followed devaluation of the British pound Nov. 18.

Officials said November sales on the London market, where speculative buying was heavy the latter half of the month, will be reflected in December figures to be published in January.

The United States, part of a seven-nation pool, now supplies 53 per cent of all gold sold on the London market.

### CONVERSION

Algeria's conversion into gold of about \$150,000,000 also came in December as did the purchase by the United States of \$100,000,000 in gold from Canada.

At the same time Thursday, the Federal Reserve Board reported a big increase in U.S. holdings of foreign currencies, indicating another reaction to the British devaluation.

Bulk of the increase was reported to be in pounds and Swiss francs and came through the expanded swap network, a borrowing arrangement the board has with 14 foreign central banks and the Bank for International Settlements in Switzerland.

### TO SPECIAL FUND

Early this month, the treasury department announced the movement of \$475,000,000 in gold from its stock to a special fund—the Exchange Stabilization Fund—from which sales are made.

The Federal Reserve said the gold drain in November reduced the U.S. total at the end of the month to \$12,965,000,000, lowest since 1937.

### Harnesses

## Safety Boosts Prices

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp. Thursday became the first U.S. car maker to announce a price increase to cover the cost of front- and side-impact crash tests required by federal law on new cars after Monday.

The firm said that starting with shipments Monday all cars will have the shoulder harnesses and the price of the harnesses as an option, now \$22 on most models, will become part of the list price.

It said the harness costs \$22 on all models except the Buick Electra and Buick Riviera and Oldsmobile 98, where it costs \$23, and the Cadillac, where it costs \$30.

### INCREASE SILENCE

A GM spokesman declined to say whether the company was planning a second general price increase on its 1968 models to cover new increases in the cost of labor and steel which became effective after the first prices were announced in September.

Spokesmen for Ford and Chrysler declined comment on any possible price increase.

### Peking Optimistic

## Big Red Gains Seen in Laos

From UPI

Peking Radio declared Friday that communist forces in Laos made big political and military gains during 1967 and predicted they would do even better in the year to come.

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## Cong Leader In France

TOKYO (UPI) — Radio Hanoi said Thursday Viet Cong leader Nguyen Van Mien has been in France since Dec. 13 but gave no indication whether he met Foreign Minister Tran Van Do of South Vietnam who spent a day in Paris this week.

Mien was identified as head of the South Vietnam National Liberation Front's permanent representation in North Vietnam.

## Mission Closed

LONDON (UPI)—Cambodia is closing her diplomatic mission in London because of Britain's refusal to recognize formally Cambodia's frontiers, the foreign office stated Thursday.

It stated: "Should U.S. imperialism dare to carry its war of aggression to Cambodia, the 700,000,000 Chinese people will certainly give all-out support to the Cambodian people to completely smash the U.S. imperialist aggression."

In Washington, the state department said Thursday the United States was informing "interested governments," presumably including the Soviet Union, of communist activities in Cambodia and Laos.

A state department spokesman said the U.S. has launched a "serious diplomatic effort" to find an "amicable settlement" to the sanctuary problem.



## But They're Shipshape

Parking problems aren't only confined to big city streets. Aircraft maintenance man, centre, finds space scarce as he works on one of parked planes crowding flight deck of aircraft carrier USS Ranger. Ship is on duty at Yankee Station in Gulf of Tonkin.—(AP)